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THE FIGHTING!

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森<sup>もり</sup>  
ハジ<sup>かわ</sup>ジョージ





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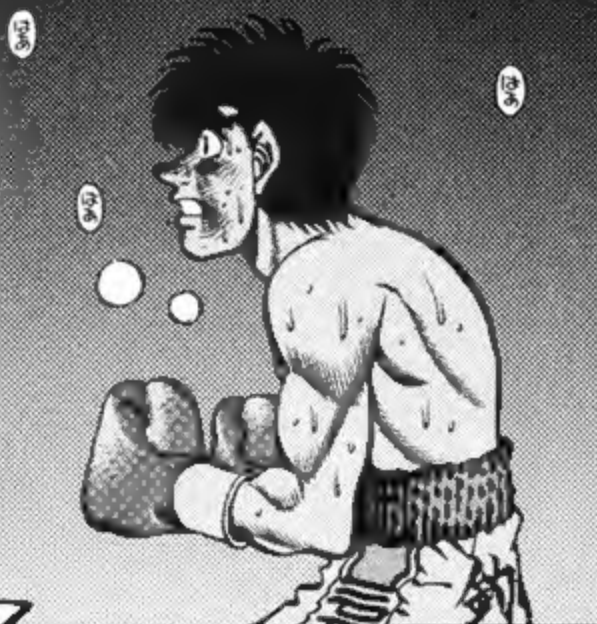
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# はじめの一步











TO HELL  
WITH  
KNOCKING

A-  
AT  
LEAST  
KNOCK



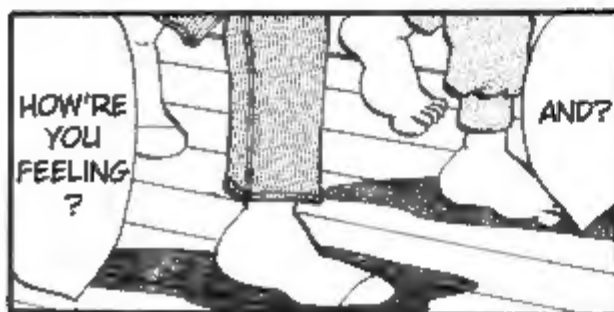
YOU  
HAVEN'T  
OPENED  
YOUR  
EYES IN  
TWO DAYS

WE'VE  
BEEN  
WOR-  
RIED



GOOD  
MORNING,  
CHAM-  
PION!

おめでとう



HOW'RE  
YOU  
FEELING  
?

AND?



I GUESS  
THAT'S  
EXPECTED  
WITH SUCH  
AN AWESOME  
MATCH HUH

AND ALL  
OF MY  
MUSCLES  
HURT

HM...  
MY HEAD  
FEELS  
HEAVY



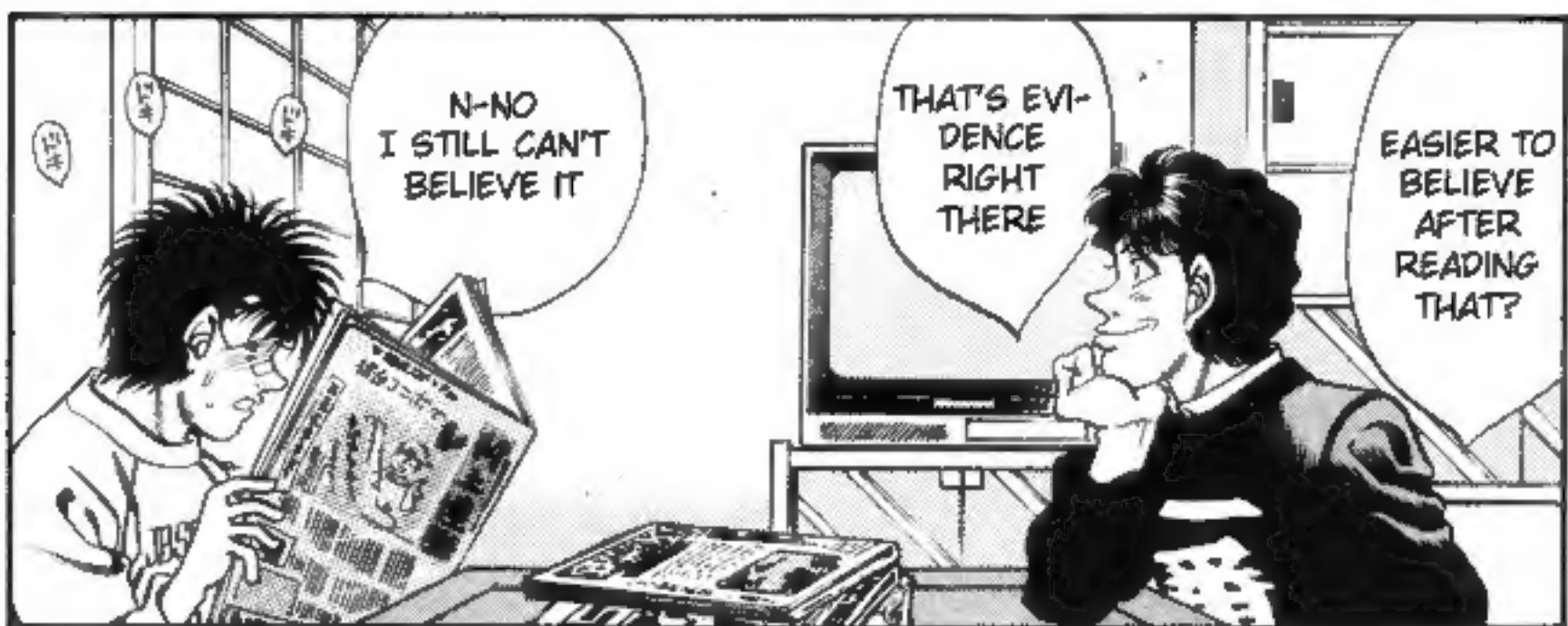
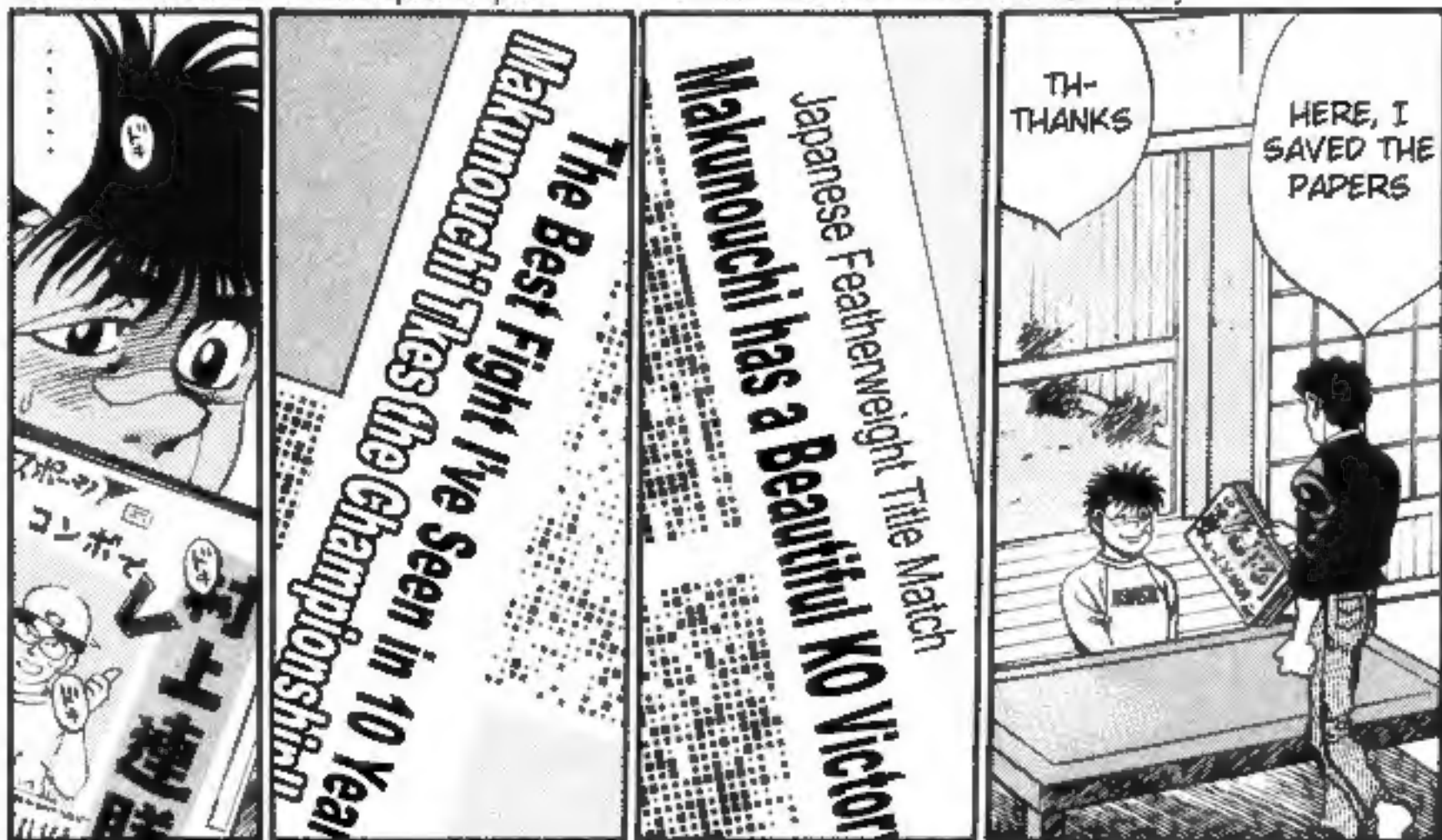
YEAH, YOU  
SHOULD  
THINK  
ABOUT US  
NEXT TIME

I'VE  
BEEN  
SLEEPING  
THAT  
LONG?

EEH  
!?

Paper 2: The best fight I've seen in 10 years  
Makunouchi takes the championship!!

Paper 1: Japanese Featherweight Title Match  
Makunouchi has a beautiful KO Victory







OH YEA, AOKI-SAN SAID TO CALL HIM WHEN YOU WOKE UP



S...  
SURE



DON'T  
MENTION  
IT

THANK YOU,  
LIMEZAWA-KLIN, I  
HEARD YOUR  
CHEERING THE  
ENTIRE TIME

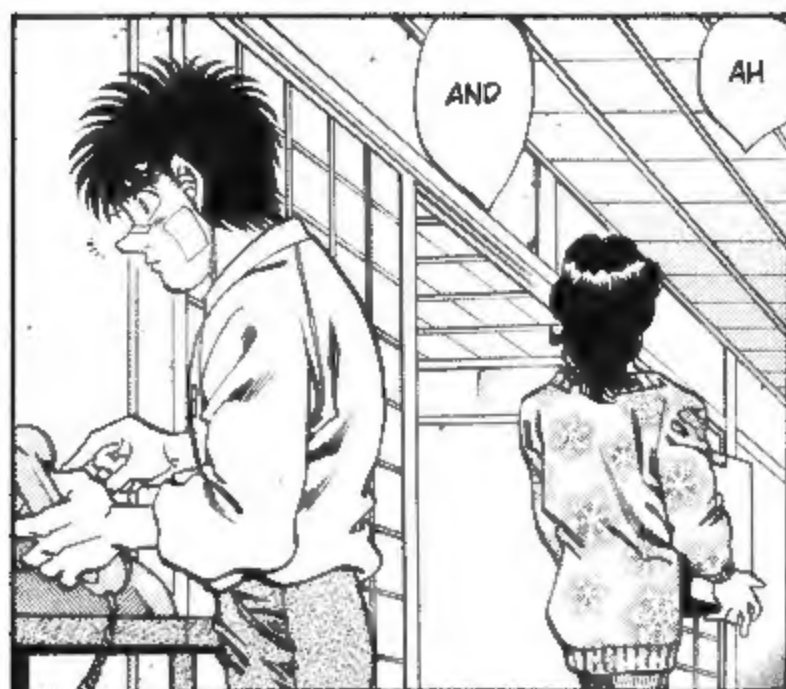
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YOU  
REALLY  
DID







I STILL  
CAN'T  
RUN...

OUCH

HA

HA

HA

WE WON'T  
FORGIVE  
YOU IF  
YOU'RE  
LATE

THIS IS A  
PARTY  
FOR YOU,  
DAMMIT

SIGN: RESERVED

I'M  
COM-  
PLETELY  
LATE

CRAP

COME TO  
"SLUGAR  
RAYS"  
AT 7!  
LATER!!

I DIDN'T  
MEAN TO  
BE LATE!!

I'M  
SORRY!

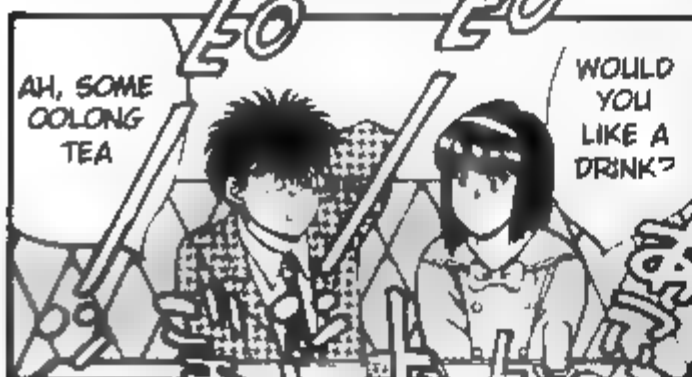
I DON'T  
WANT  
THEM TO  
GET MAD  
AT ME

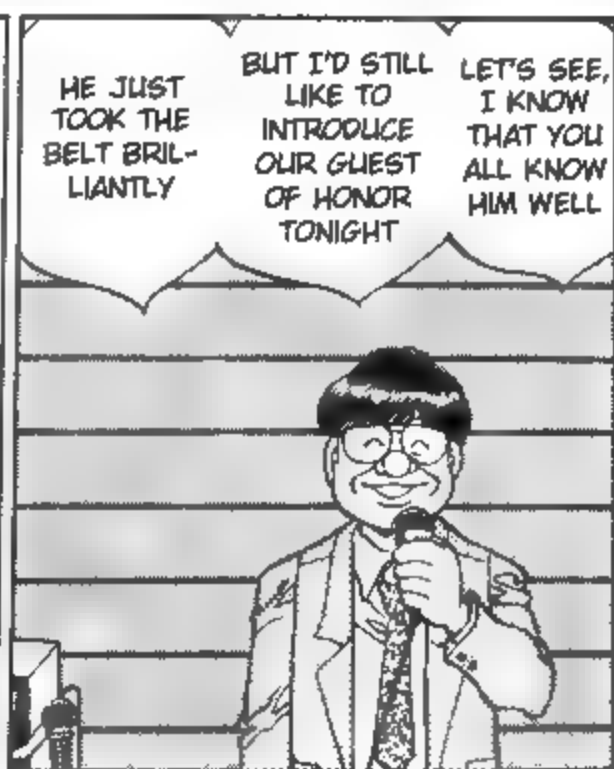
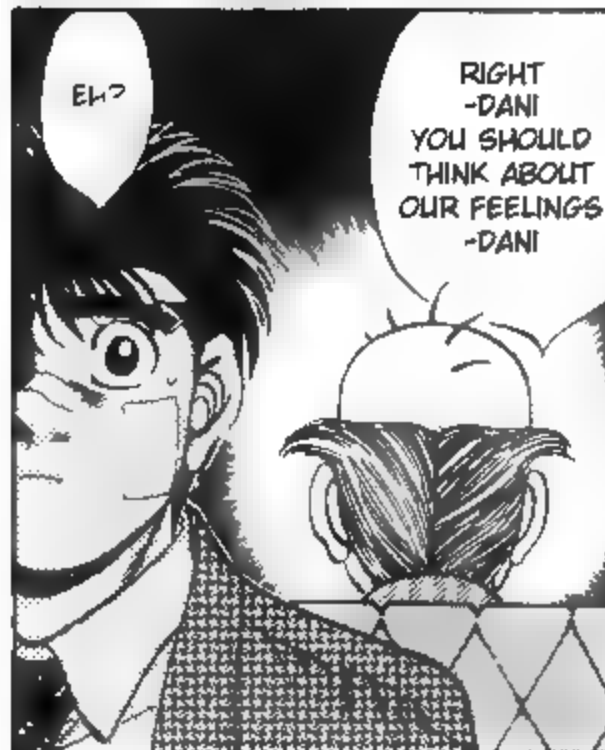
ALL OF  
THEM  
HAVE  
TEMPERS

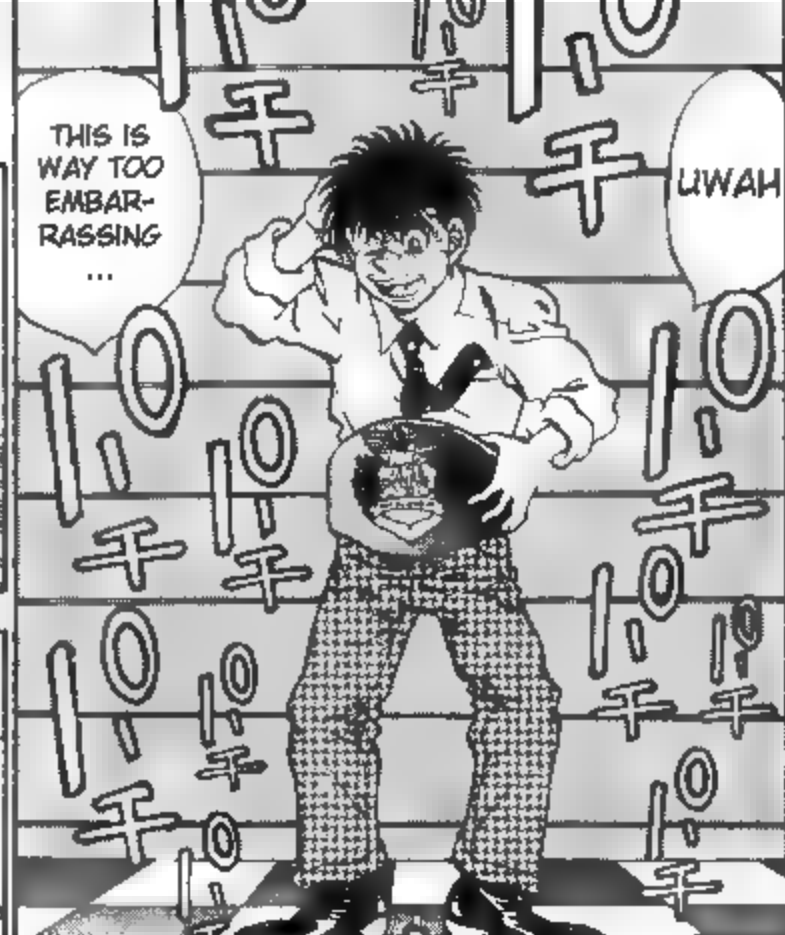
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WONDER  
IF  
THEY'RE  
MAD



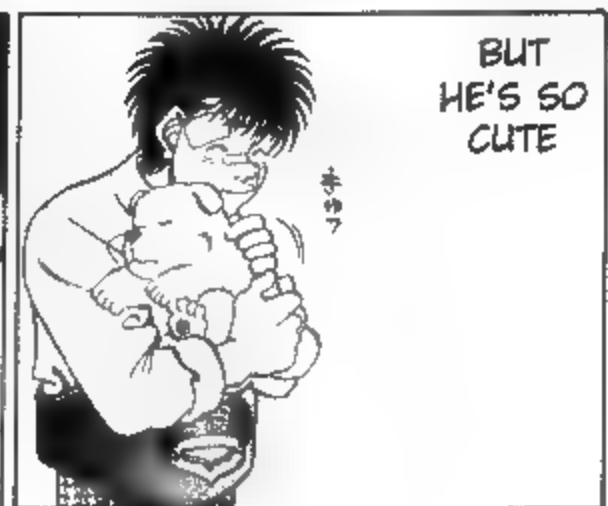


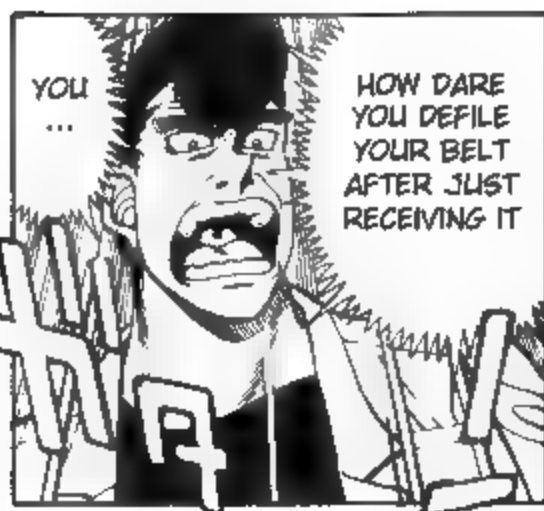








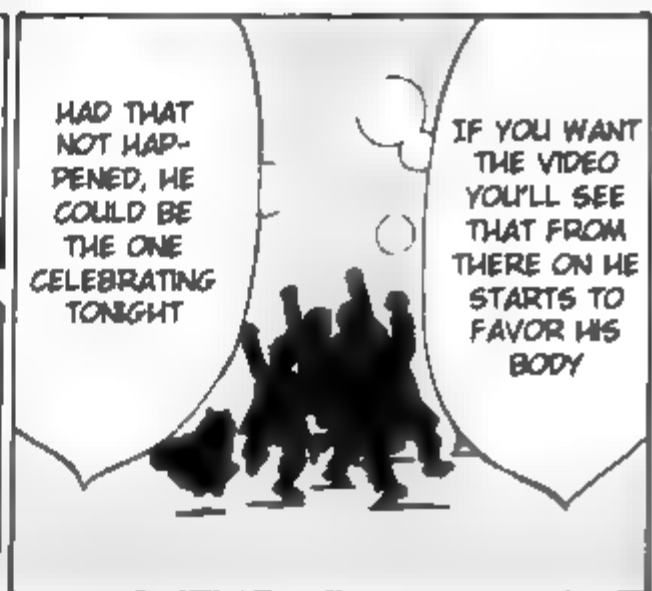


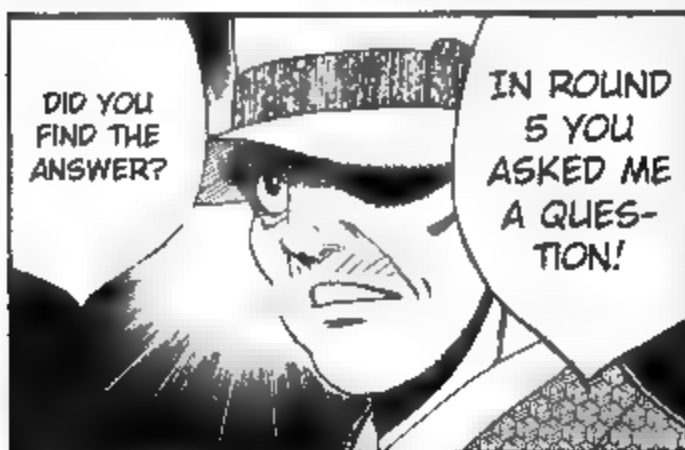
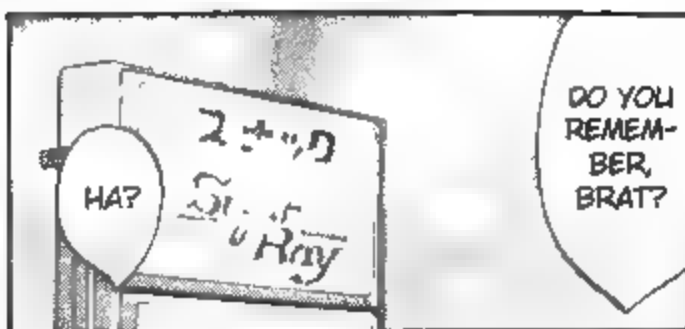
















PLEASE  
HELP  
ME!!

I'LL WANT  
YOUR GUID-  
ANCE FROM  
HERE ON



THE  
BRAT  
...

IT'S LIKE  
TRYING TO  
GRASP A  
CLOUD

WHAT HE'S  
SEARCHING  
FOR IS  
NEITHER A  
GOAL NOR A  
THING



THAN  
CLAIMING  
ANY TITLE

MAY BE ON  
A ROAD  
FAR MORE  
DIFFICULT

# はじめての一步



# はじめの一本

THE FIGHT



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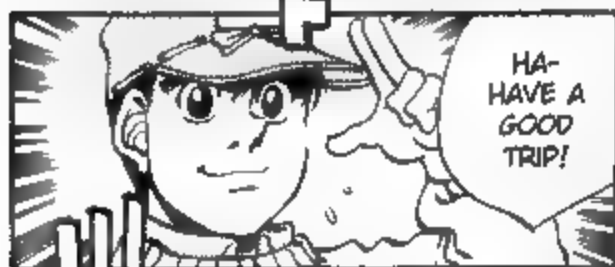
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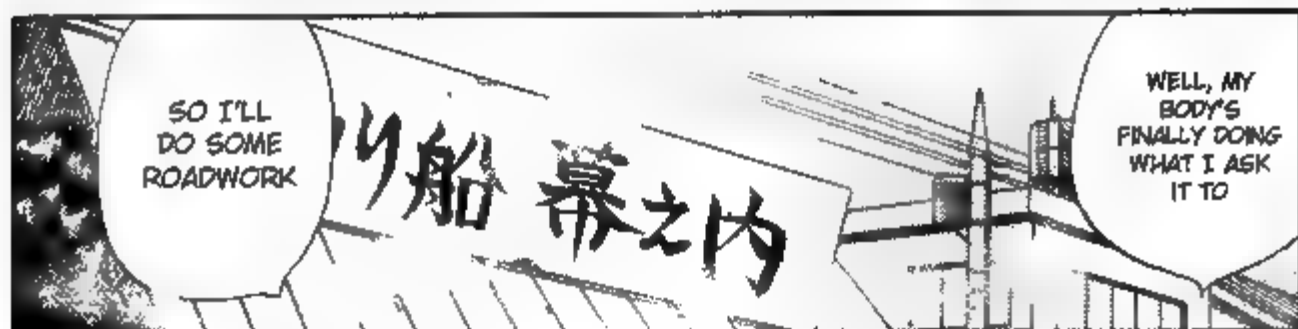


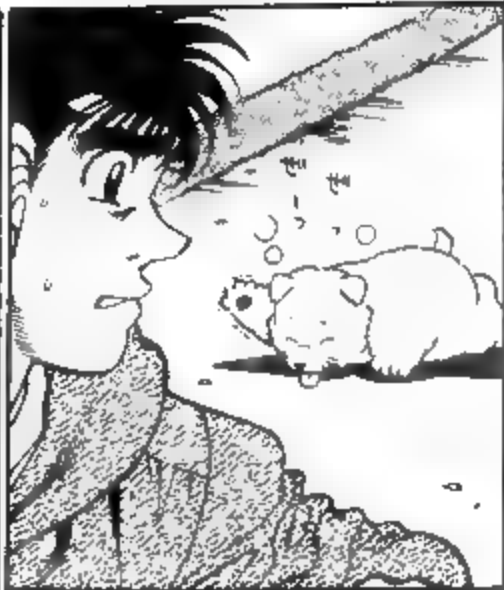
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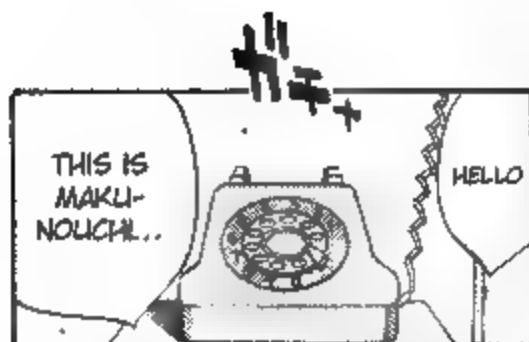
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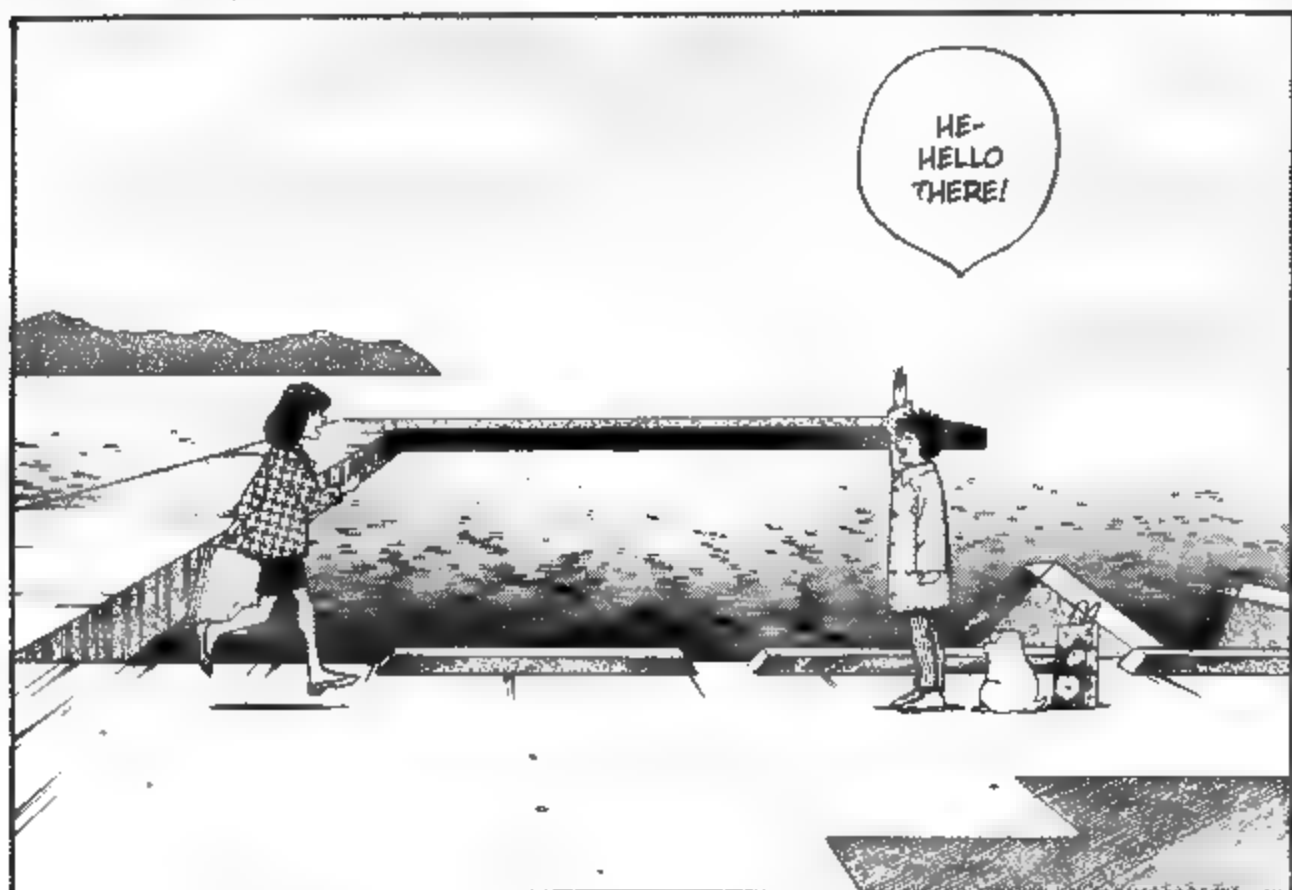
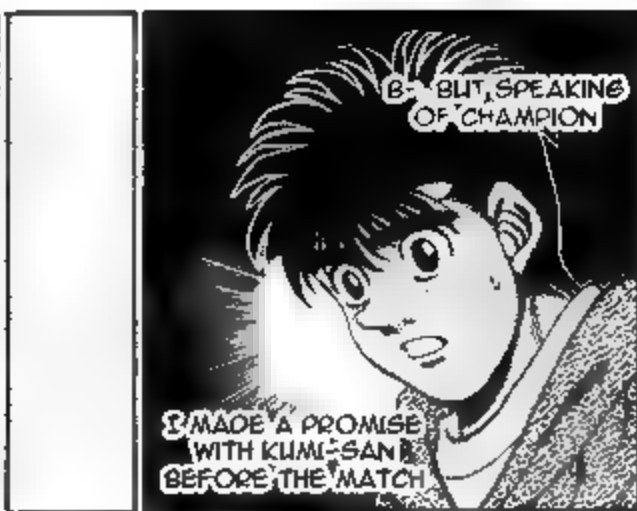




















久美さん  
日本エザ級  
幕の巻

(NOTE: TO KUMI-SAN, JAPAN FEATHERWEIGHT CHAMPION MAKINOUCHI IPPO)





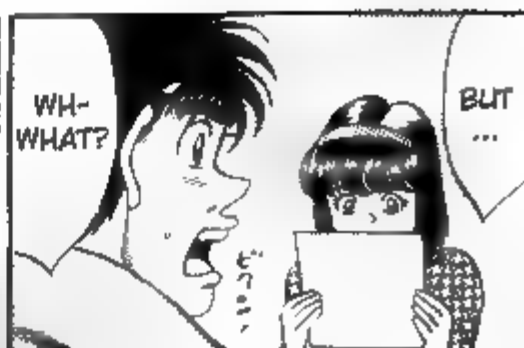
IT SEEMS  
TO SUIT  
YOU WELL

NO  
...



SHOULD  
I REDO  
IT?!

WA-, WAS  
THAT A  
BAD  
THING?!



WH-  
WHAT?

BUT  
...



IS  
REALLY  
REALLY  
SMALL

THE WAY  
YOU WROTE  
'CHAMPION'



FROM  
NOW ON  
...

BE-  
CAUSE



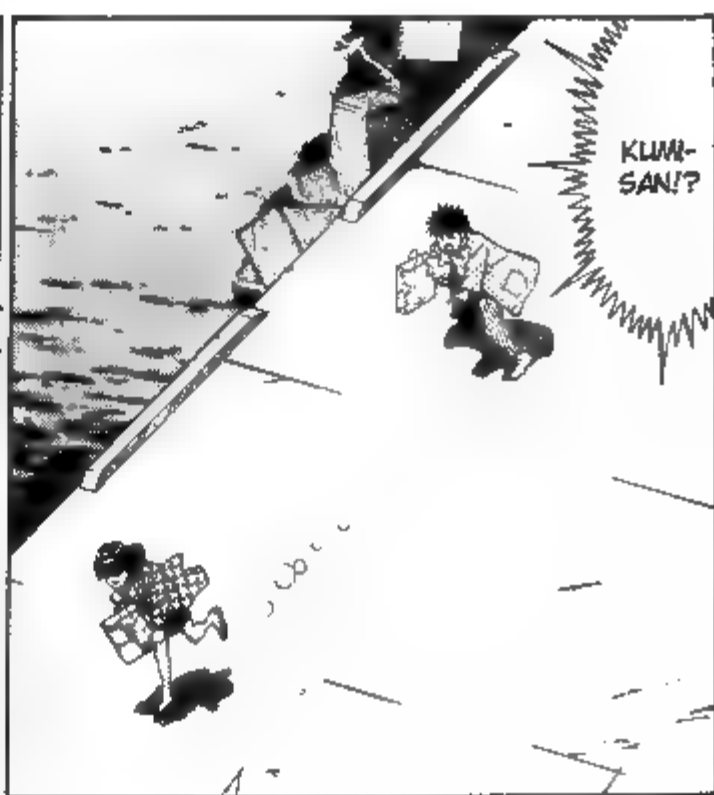
I'LL  
HOLD  
THIS  
DEAR



I'LL BE  
SEEING YOU  
AGAIN

I DON'T  
THINK





WHY?

I NEVER TOLD HER  
'I LOVE YOU' OR  
'GO OUT WITH ME'

AND I'M STILL  
REJECTED?

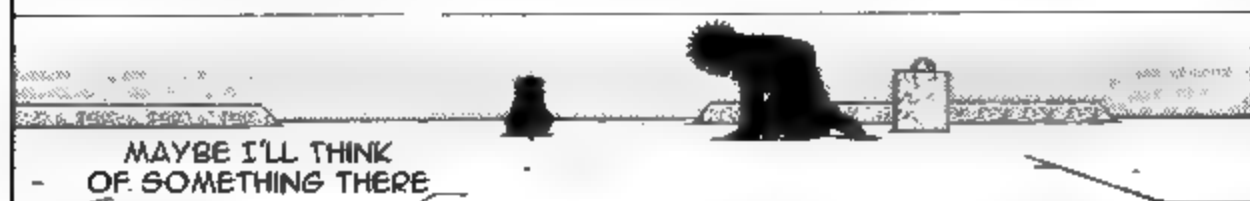


WOW!



FOR NOW I'LL  
JUST GO TO THE GYM

I DON'T GET IT...



MAYBE I'LL THINK  
OF SOMETHING THERE





HELLO ...  
AH YEAH ...



HELLO  
MAKINOUCHI-  
SENPAI!

HELLO-



I- I'LL  
WORK  
HARD!

PLEASE DO  
YOUR BEST  
AS A SENPAI  
AND A  
CHAMPION



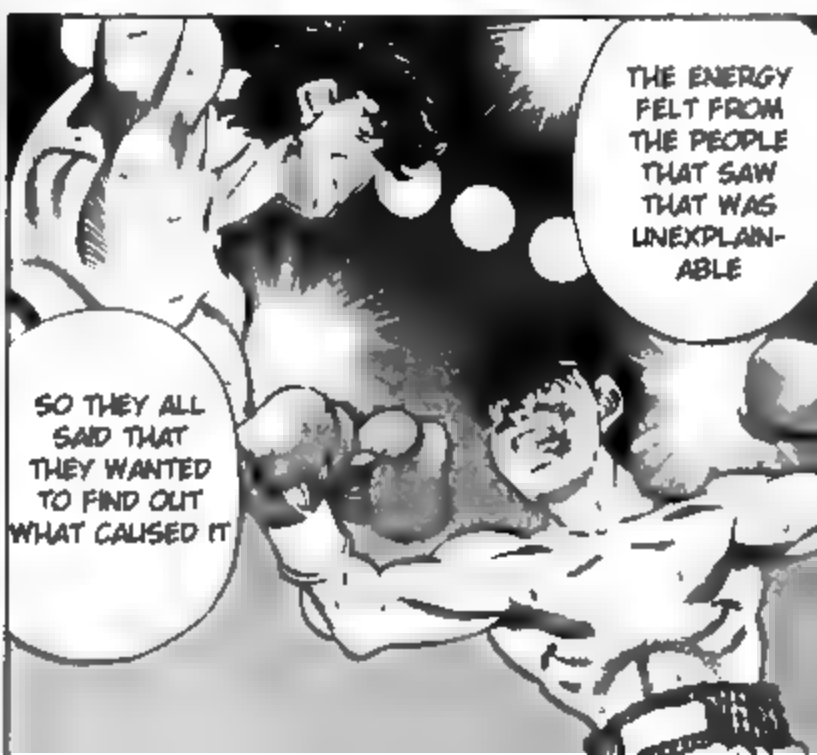
EEH?!  
THIS  
MANY?!

THESE  
THE  
STUDENTS  
THAT SIGNED  
UP AFTER  
SEEING  
YOUR MATCH



JUST  
OUT OF  
CURIOSITY

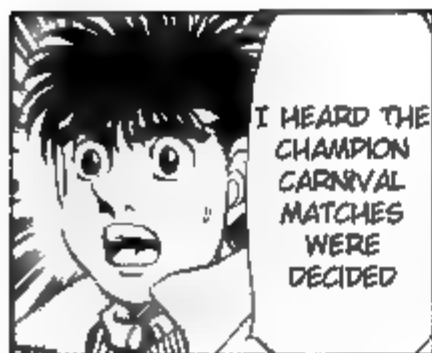
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THE ENERGY  
FELT FROM  
THE PEOPLE  
THAT SAW  
THAT WAS  
UNEXPLAIN-  
ABLE

SO THEY ALL  
SAID THAT  
THEY WANTED  
TO FIND OUT  
WHAT CAUSED IT





I HEARD THE  
CHAMPION  
CARNIVAL  
MATCHES  
WERE  
DECIDED



WE  
HAVEN'T  
GOTTEN  
YOUR  
OPPONENT  
YET

CALM  
DOWN



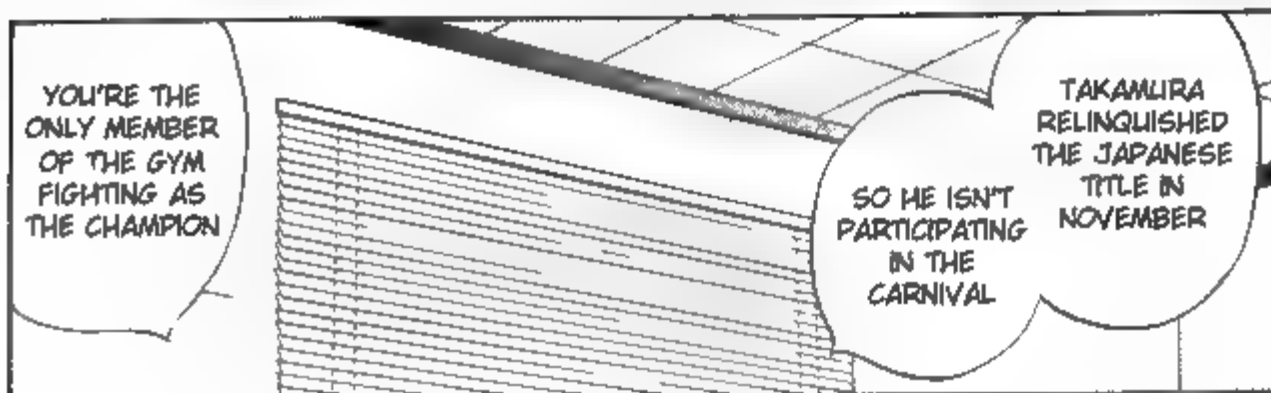
ON  
THE  
DEF-  
ENSES!

BUT LET'S  
DO OUR  
BEST!



WHO'S  
DEFENDING?

AH?



YOU'RE THE  
ONLY MEMBER  
OF THE GYM  
FIGHTING AS  
THE CHAMPION

SO HE ISN'T  
PARTICIPATING  
IN THE  
CARNIVAL

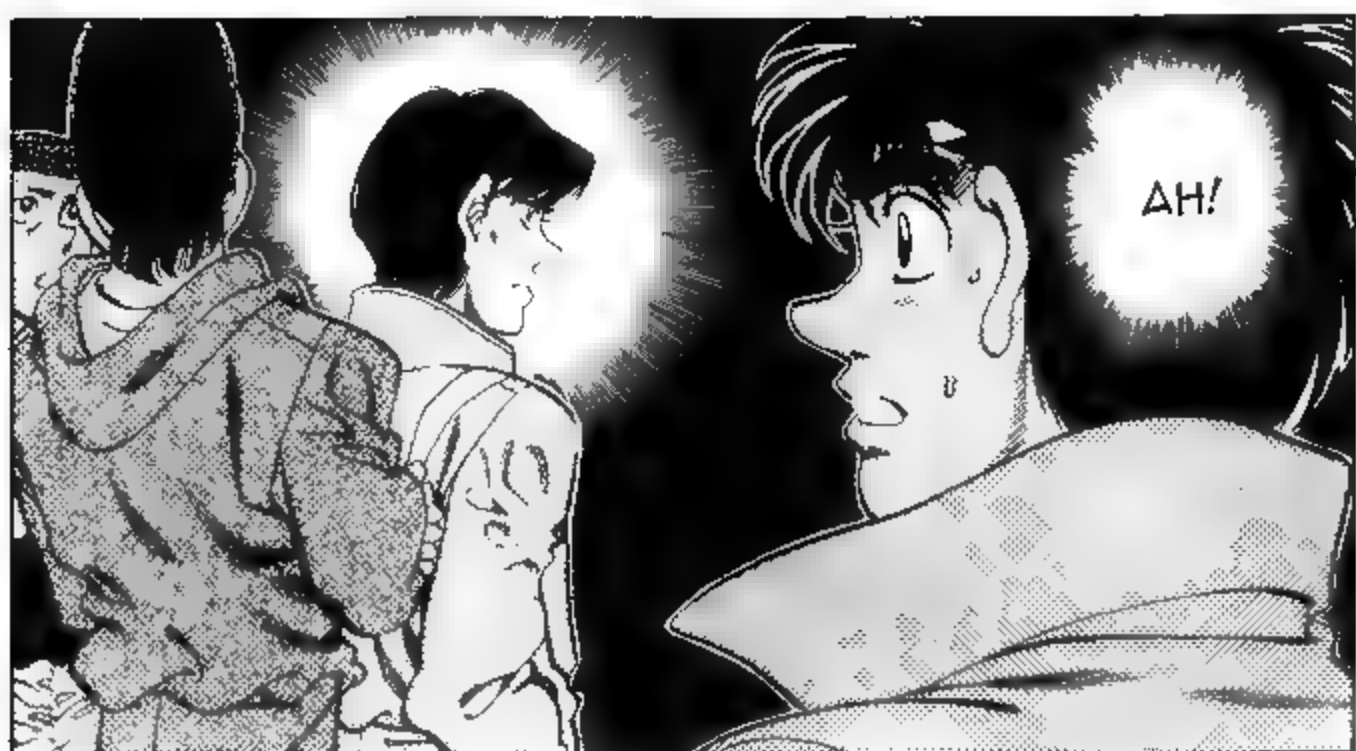
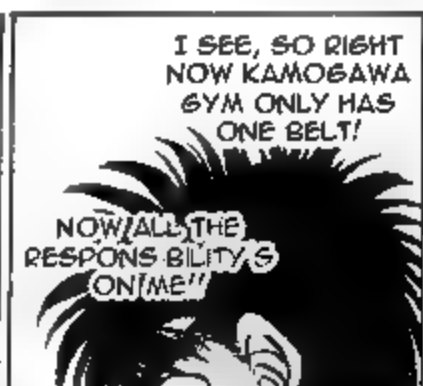
TAKAMURA  
RELINQUISHED  
THE JAPANESE  
TITLE IN  
NOVEMBER



HM

IT'S MAKU-  
NOUCHI,  
I'M COMING  
N







I DON'T  
THINK I'LL  
BE SEEING  
YOU  
AGAIN



THAT'S  
IT!

KIMURA  
TATSUYA  
WILL HAVE  
HIS FIRST  
TITLE MATCH

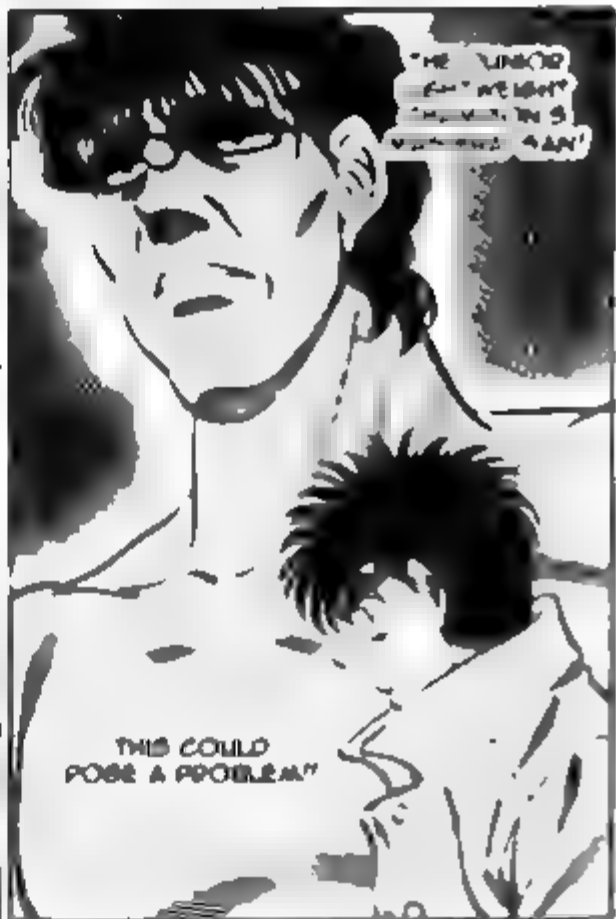


FROM  
OUR  
GYM



I'LL BE  
ROOTING  
FOR KIMURA-  
SAN

H-. NO  
THERE'S  
NO WAY  
AROUND  
THIS



"HE LOOKS  
OK" WEIGHT  
TRAINING  
WILL BE OK!

THIS COULD  
POSE A PROBLEM





WE GOT  
THE SPAR  
ALL READY

HEY,  
WHERE'RE  
YOU GOING?



BUT  
IT CAN'T  
BE YOU

SORRY  
MAN



SO I'M  
GOING  
OUT FOR  
A BIT...

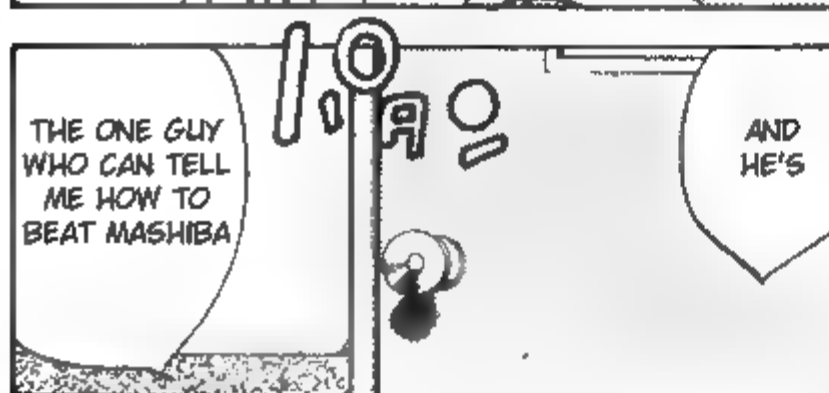
WELL, I  
GOTTA GET  
THIS PENT  
UP ENERGY  
WORKED  
OFF



I CAN'T THINK OF  
A STRATEGY  
AGAINST  
MASHIBA FROM  
SPARRING WITH  
JUST ANYONE

THE JUNIOR  
LIGHTWEIGHT  
CHAMPION'S  
A MONSTER  
OF A BASTARD...

I MEAN, I  
KNOW FULL  
WELL HOW  
STRONG  
MASHIBA  
IS RIGHT  
NOW



THE ONE GUY  
WHO CAN TELL  
ME HOW TO  
BEAT MASHIBA

AND  
HE'S



WHO  
KNOWS  
HOW TO  
HELP

BUT...  
THERE  
IS ONE  
GUY



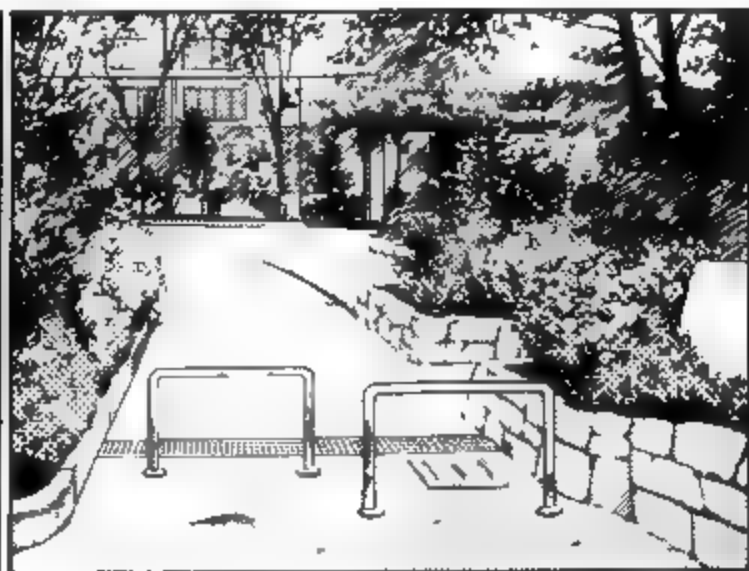
KNOWS  
HOW?

SOMEONE WHO  
KNOWS HOW TO BEAT  
MASHIBA-SAN...?



IF I  
WAITED  
HERE  
LONG  
ENOUGH

I  
FIGURED  
I'D SEE  
YOU...



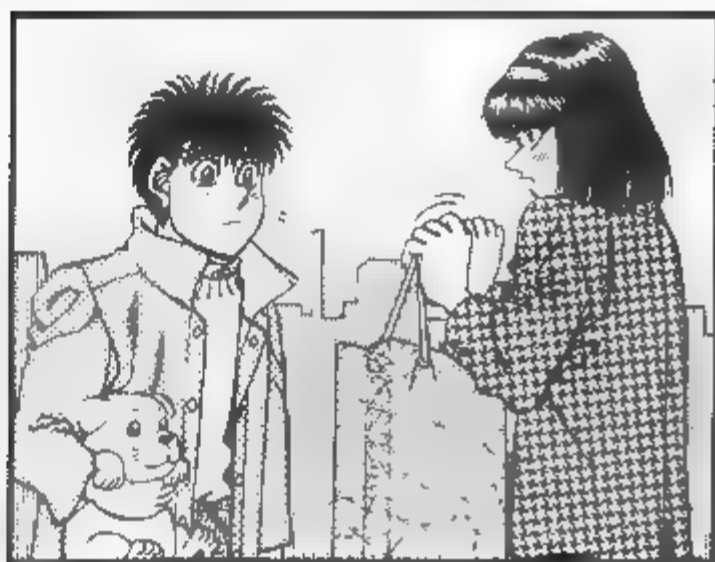
LEND ME  
YOUR  
STRENGTH!!

PLEASE!





# はじめての一步





MASHIBA'S  
STRENGTH  
LIES IN HIS  
COLD  
BLOODED  
IMAGE

AND IN HIS  
DEVASTATING  
REACH



HMPH, IF  
YOU THINK  
ABOUT IT  
YOU'LL GET  
IT



SOMEONE  
WHO CAN  
TEACH HIM  
HOW TO BEAT  
MASHIBA-  
SAN...?



SEALED THE  
FLICKER...?



AHH!

... AH



BUT WASN'T  
THERE ONE  
GUY WHO  
COMPLETELY  
SEALED OFF  
THE FLICKER?

AND THE  
FLICKER  
IS PERFECT  
FOR HIS  
STYLE



LEND ME YOUR  
STRENGTH!!

PLEASE!

はじめる一歩

# はじめての THE FIGHTING! 一歩

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MIYATA!!



Round 271 Help!



BUT  
I DON'T  
THINK I  
CAN DO IT  
AS I AM  
NOW

I NEED  
TO WIN  
NO MATTER  
WHAT!

MY  
MATCH  
WAS  
DECIDED



I DON'T  
EVEN KNOW  
WHAT YOU'RE  
TALKING  
ABOUT?

WHAT'S  
WITH  
YOU?

JUST THAT  
AFTER SO  
LONG?



I'M NOT  
ONE TO HELP  
WITHOUT  
A REASON

AND WHAT  
COULD I  
DO FOR  
YOU?



THANKS  
BUT I  
KNOW

THAT WHAT  
I HAVE  
WON'T WORK  
ON HIM



YOUR BOXING  
LEVEL IS  
HIGH FOR  
THIS COUNTRY

YOU HAVE  
NO REAL  
WEAK-  
NESSES

FROM WHAT  
I CAN TELL,  
YOU'RE A  
GOOD BOXER



B  
E  
S  
I  
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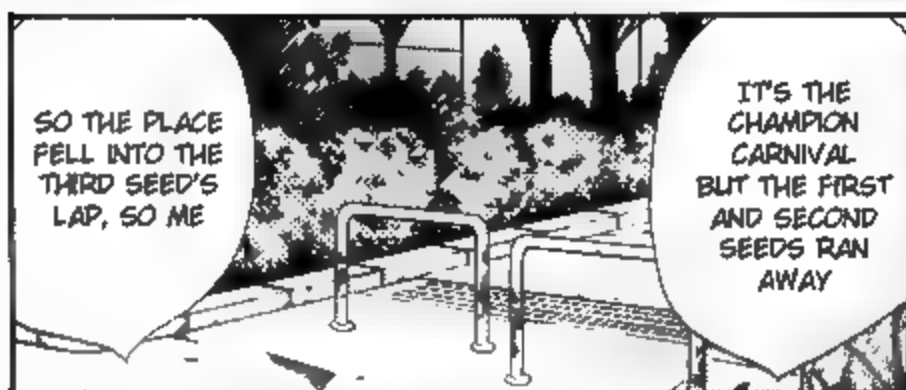


THE  
JAPANESE  
JUNIOR  
LIGHTWEIGHT  
CHAMPION

MASHIBA  
RYOU!



HIM?

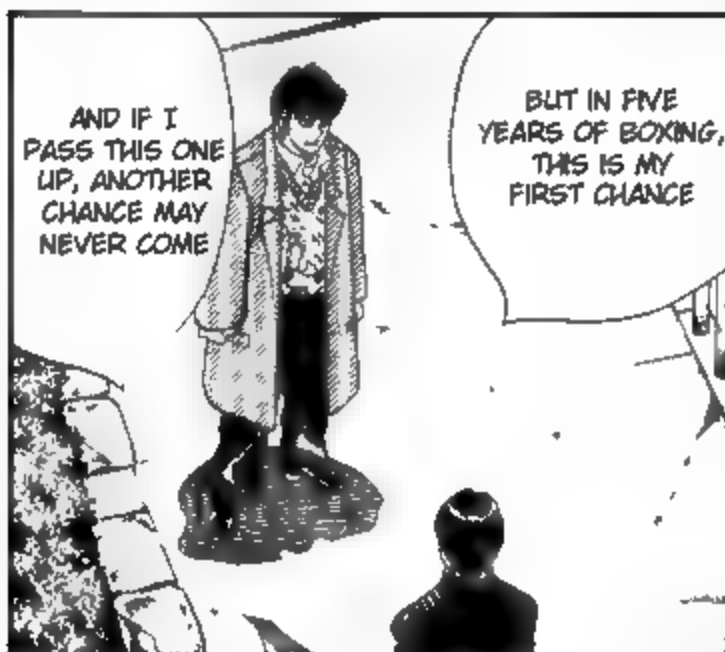


SO THE PLACE  
FELL INTO THE  
THIRD SEED'S  
LAP, SO ME

IT'S THE  
CHAMPION  
CARNIVAL  
BUT THE FIRST  
AND SECOND  
SEEDS RAN  
AWAY



(SPX: PERK)



AND IF I  
PASS THIS ONE  
UP, ANOTHER  
CHANCE MAY  
NEVER COME

BUT IN FIVE  
YEARS OF BOXING,  
THIS IS MY  
FIRST CHANCE



WON'T  
RUN  
AWAY?

AND  
YOU



I WANNA  
RUN...

I DON'T  
WANNA  
FIGHT  
SOME  
MONSTER,  
EITHER









AND I  
DON'T  
BOTHER  
CARING

SAA... IT  
REALLY  
HAS  
NOTHING  
TO DO  
WITH ME



WHEN YOU  
SEE THEM,  
WHAT DO  
YOU THINK?

SAY,  
MIYATA



BEFORE I  
KNEW IT I  
WAS DOING  
THINGS ALL  
THE TIME

BUT THEN  
I STARTED  
BOXING...



THOSE  
GUYS'RE  
JUST LIKE  
I WAS

EVERY DAY I  
JUST SAT  
AROUND  
WITHOUT  
ANYTHING  
TO DO...



FINALLY I HAD  
SOMETHING  
TO BE  
PROUD OF!

I'D  
NEVER HAD  
ANYTHING  
LIKE THIS  
BEFORE



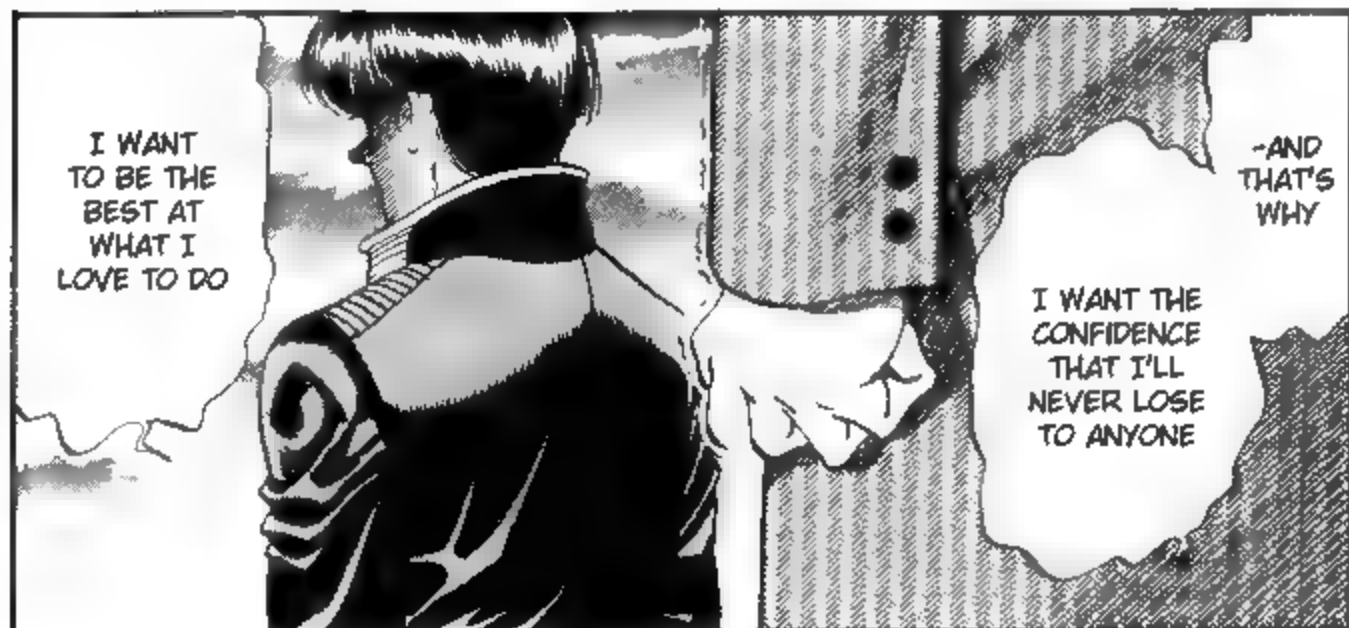
MY  
RECORD'S  
NOT THAT  
GREAT...

BUT I  
ALWAYS  
DO MY BEST



LOVE  
BOXING  
...

I...



I WANT  
TO BE THE  
BEST AT  
WHAT I  
LOVE TO DO

-AND  
THAT'S  
WHY

I WANT THE  
CONFIDENCE  
THAT I'LL  
NEVER LOSE  
TO ANYONE



WHEN  
IPPO  
WORE  
IT FOR  
THE FIRST  
TIME

HE  
WAS SO  
HAPPY

BUT SEEING  
THAT MADE  
ME FEEL  
SO EMPTY



RIGHT



THE  
BELT?

YOU  
MEAN  
...



EVEN I,  
I MEAN,  
EVEN I...

WHAT HAVE  
I DONE  
TILL NOW



LATER  
MAN

SO...  
SORRY  
TO WASTE  
YOUR TIME





CEB NOTE: OK, I HAVE NO CLUE WHAT THAT IS ON MIYATA'S FACE, BUT SINCE IT WAS IN THE RAW AND LOOKS TOO INTENTIONAL TO BE A MISTAKE, I LEFT IT IN



I HAVE AN OPBF TITLE MATCH SCHEDULED

NEXT SPRING



KIMURA-SAN



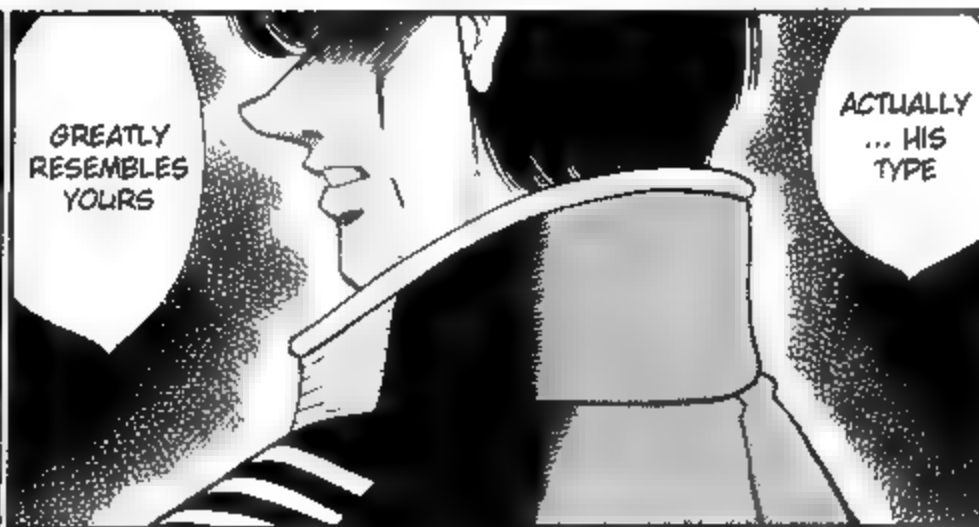
IS AN OUT-BOXER ...

AND THE OPBF CHAMPION



I GUESS IT'S NOT SURPRISING THE WAY YOU'VE BEEN GOING

OPBF HUH?



GREATLY RESEMBLES YOURS

ACTUALLY ... HIS TYPE



IF  
YOU'D  
LIKE  
...

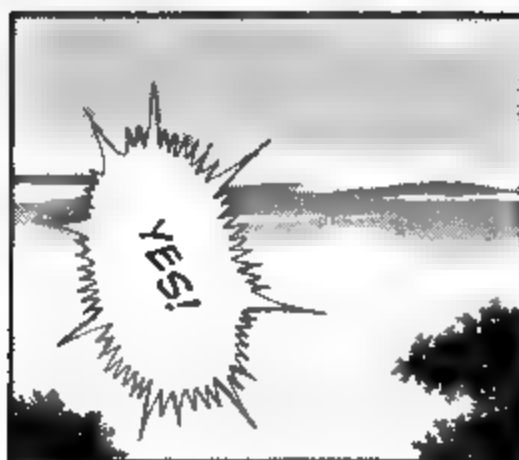
IT  
WOULD  
HELP ME  
OUT...



IF YOU'D  
AGREE  
TO SPAR  
WITH ME



COME BY  
THE GYM  
TOMORROW



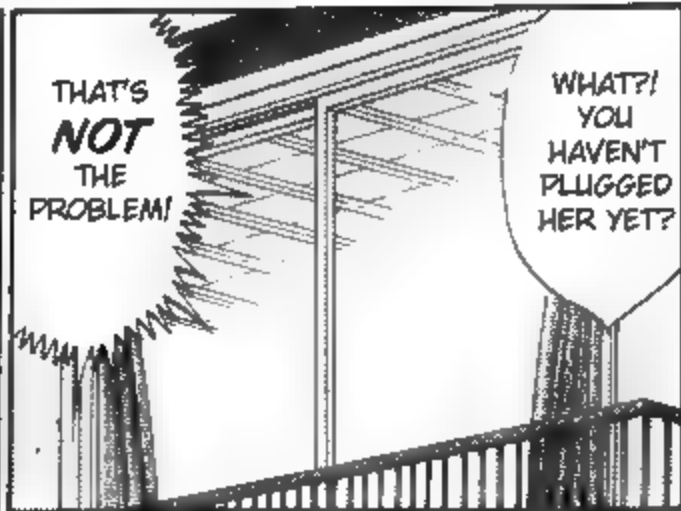
HE  
HE  
HE

お  
や  
う

ALWAYS  
GOTTA  
LOOK COOL,  
HUH











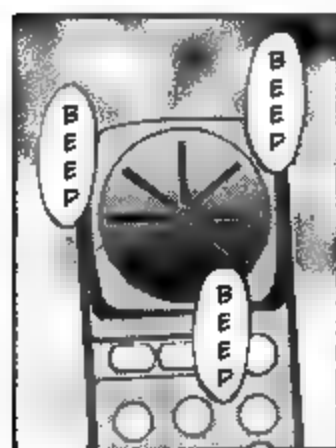






BOXING  
IS A BLOOD  
SPORT

NO MATTER  
HOW YOU  
DO IT, THE  
WINNER IS THE  
ONE THAT  
SURVIVES

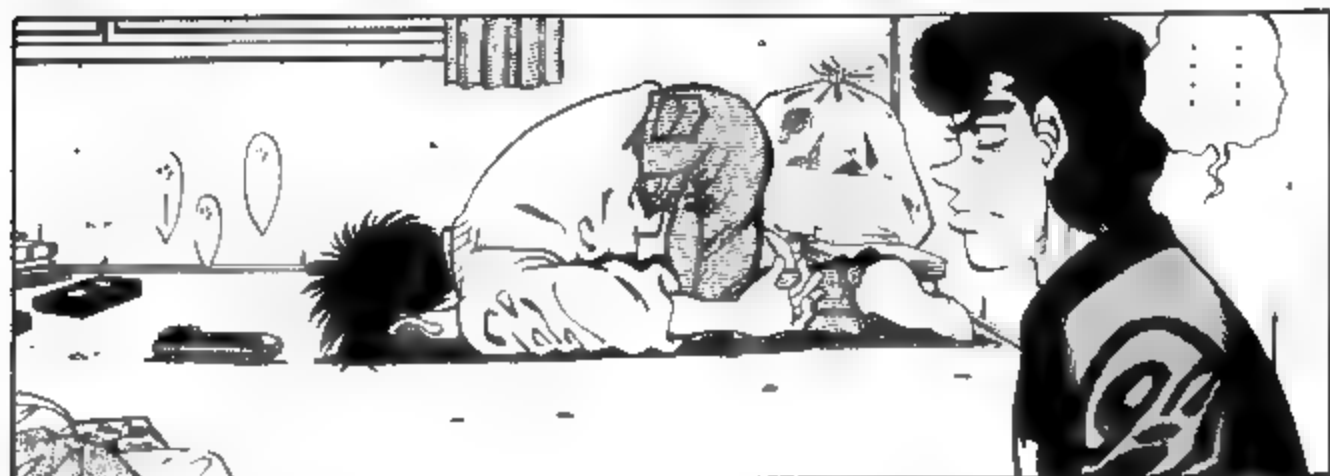


TELL THIS  
KIMURA  
PERSON  
HE'LL PAY  
IT IN FULL

I'VE  
GOT A  
GRUDGE  
AGAINST  
THE  
KAMO-  
GAWA  
GYM



MA...





PLEASE  
KEEP  
IT A  
SECRET

UHM...  
ABOUT  
TODAY



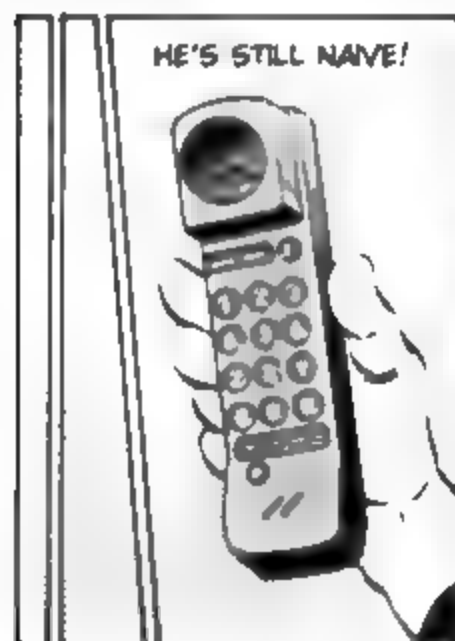
LEAVE I'M KINDA  
IT TO RESPON-  
ME... SIBLE

YEAH  
...



SORRY MAN,  
LOOKS LIKE  
I CAUSED  
SOME  
PROBLEMS

N-, NO  
I WAS  
BEING A  
BIT RASH



HE'S STILL NAIVE!



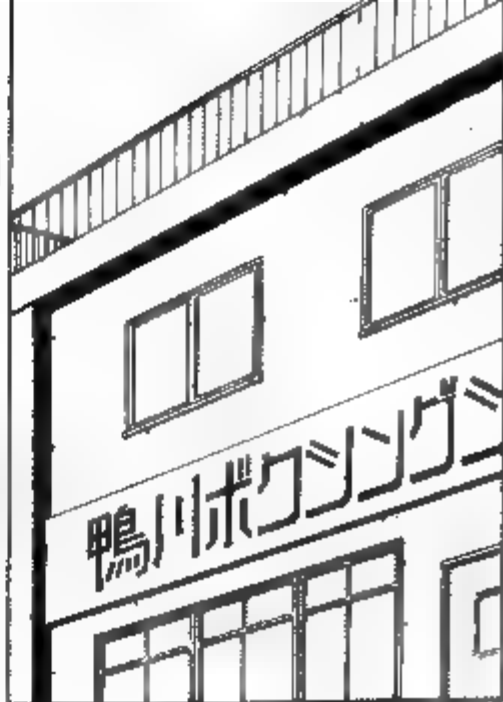
HE'S STILL JUMPY,  
STILL TIMID AS EVER

AND



EVEN THOUGH HE'S  
THE JAPANESE CHAMPION

IPPO STILL HASN'T  
CHANGED...



# はじめての一步







SCANS: SNOOPY  
TRANSLATION: SNOOPY  
EDITS: CGIGGS  
SNOOPYCOOL.COM

# はじめての THE FIGHTING! 一歩

Round 272

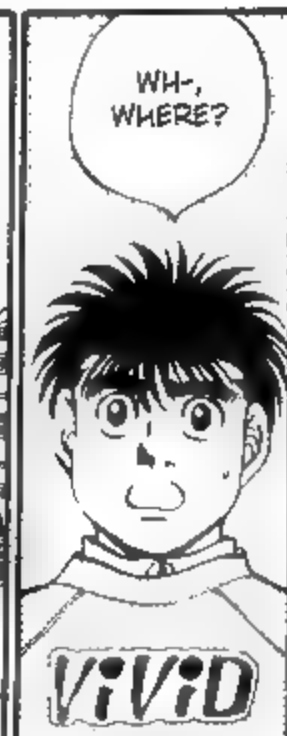
His Dejection



YOU PROBABLY WON'T BE SEEING ME FOR A WHILE



DO I NEED TO TELL YOU? MIYATA'S GYM



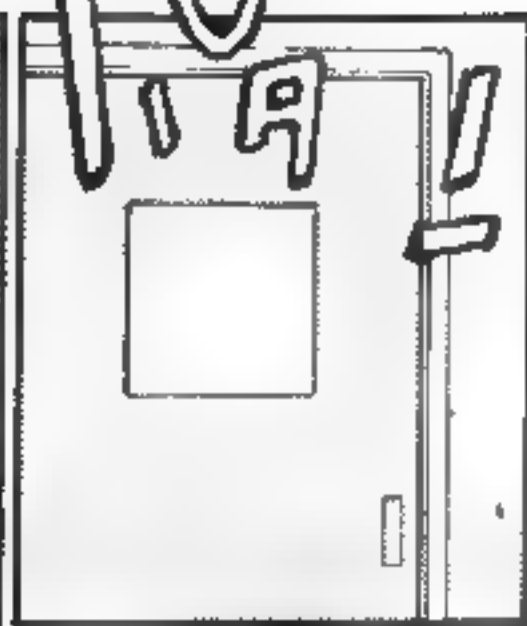
WH-, WHERE?



COME BACK AND I'LL KICK YER ASS

KICK

VIVID



NO  
PROB!



HM?

SO  
HE'S  
GONE



HE MUST  
BE  
NERVOUS  
BY NOW

NEVER  
MIND ME,  
WHY DID  
YOU LET  
K.MURA-  
SAN  
LEAVE  
LIKE  
THAT?



'A LITTLE'  
MY ASS,  
YOU SAID  
FROM  
BEGINNING  
TO END

I ONLY  
SAID A  
LITTLE

WHAT,  
STILL  
MAD?



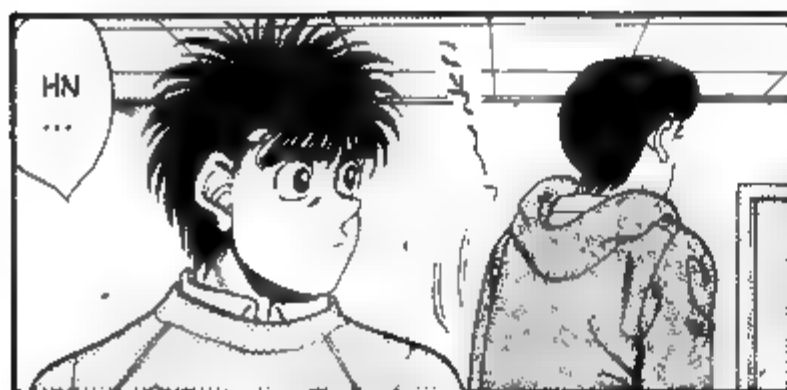
HM~



EH?

DONTCHA  
THINK  
AOKI'S A  
BIT MORE  
NERVOUS?

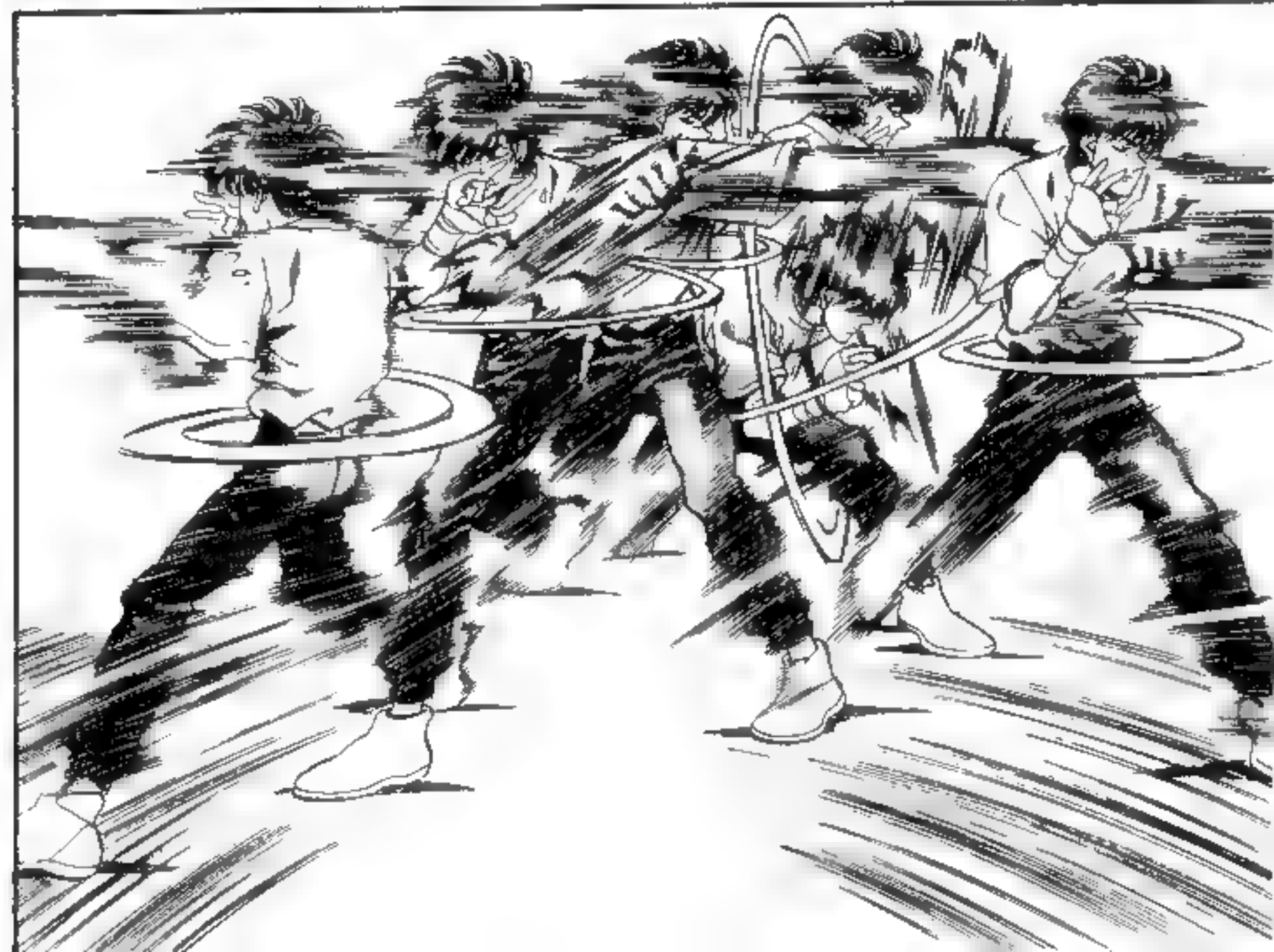




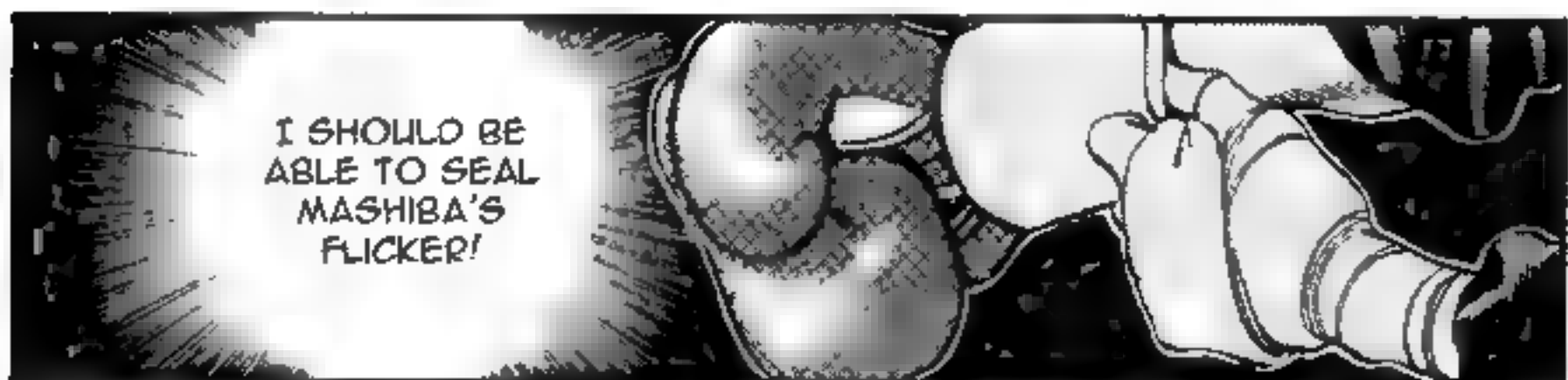
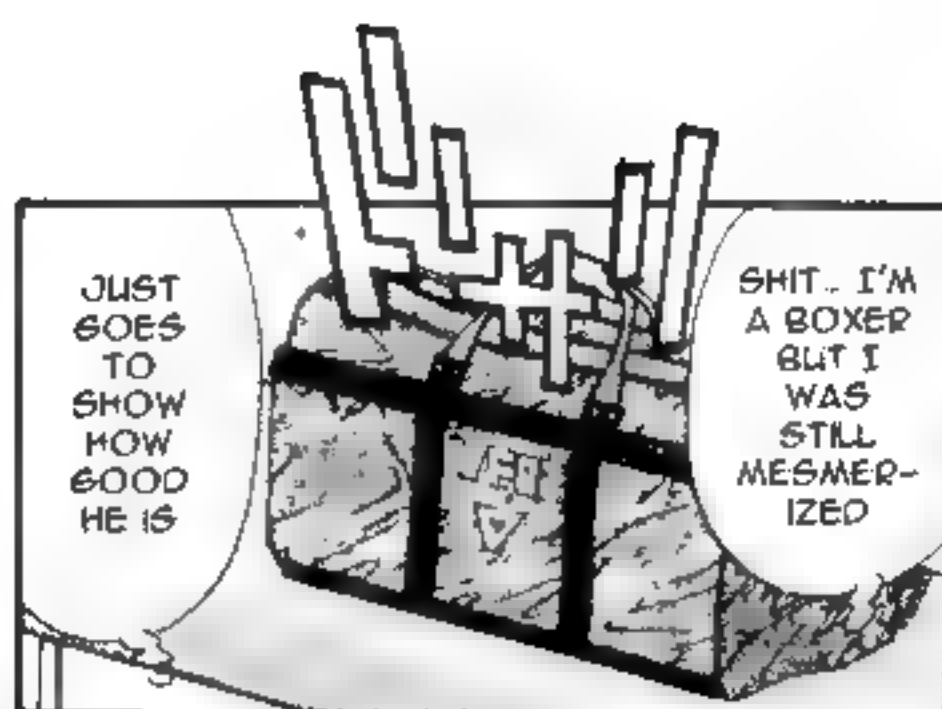
>NOTE: OYAJI = FATHER SO KIMURA'S  
CALLING MIYATA'S FATHER 'MISTER DAD' > >!! <

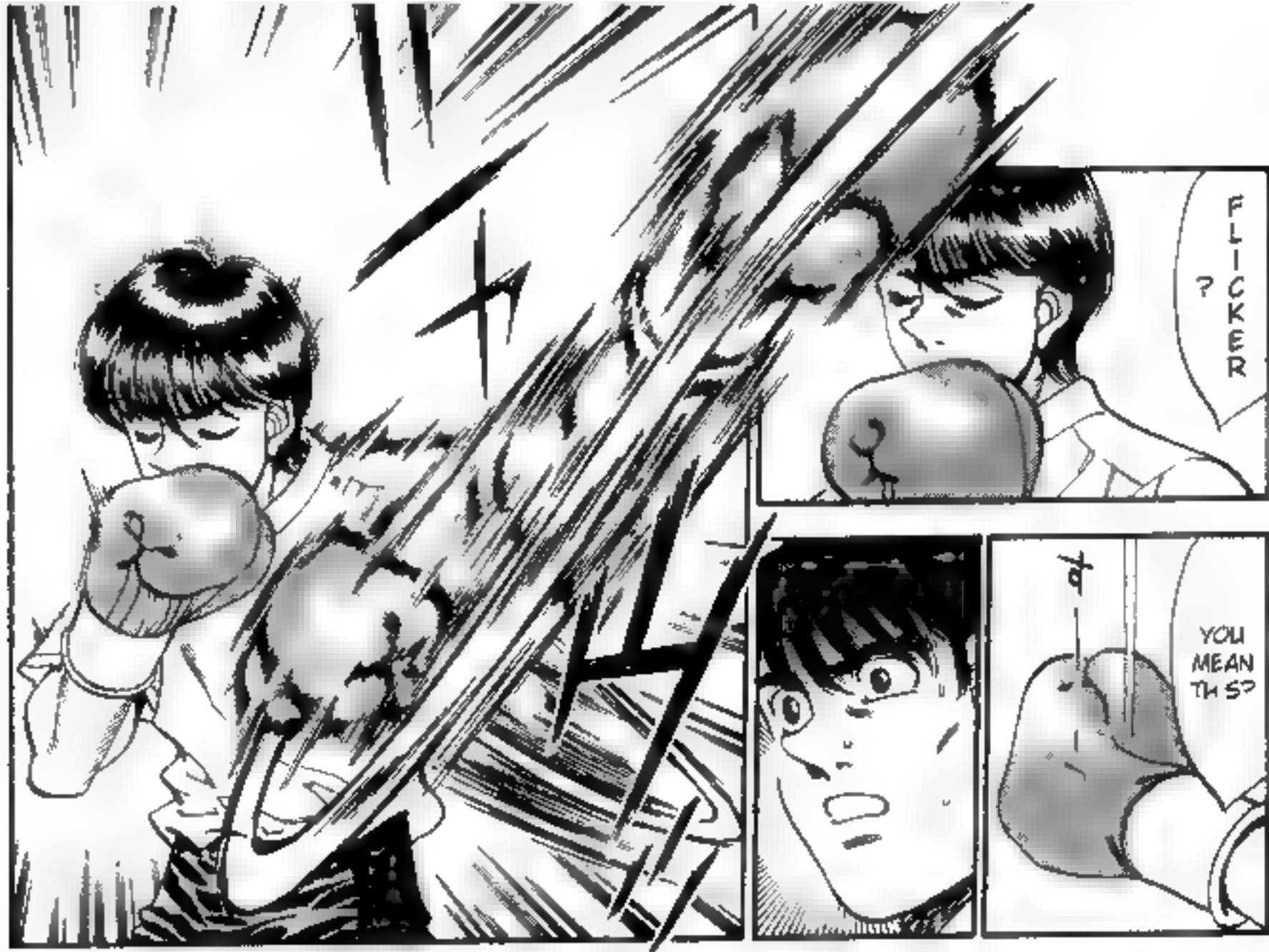






































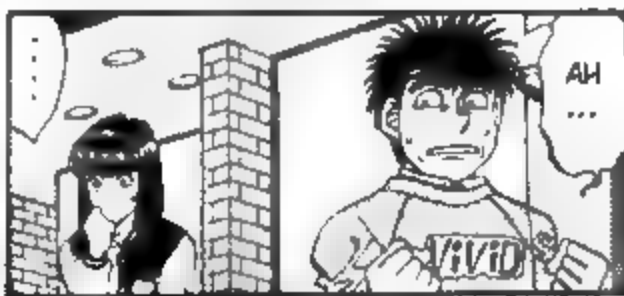
IT'S A  
SPORT SO  
EITHER  
COULD END  
UP  
WINNING...

IT-, IT'S  
NOT LIKE I  
MEANT  
THAT IT'D  
BE GOOD  
FOR YOUR  
BROTHER  
TO  
LOSE...



TH-,  
THAT'S  
THE  
SPIRIT!!

I'LL DEF-  
INITELY  
TAKE THE  
BELT!



AH  
...



YER NOT  
TELLING  
THE  
KAMOGAWA  
GUYS  
ABOUT MY  
PRACTIC-  
ING,  
RIGHT?

KUMI...  
WHAT'RE  
YOU  
DOING?



K  
Y  
A  
A  
H

U  
W  
A  
A  
H



TH-,  
THAT'S  
THE  
SPIRIT!!



THE  
BELT'S  
MINE

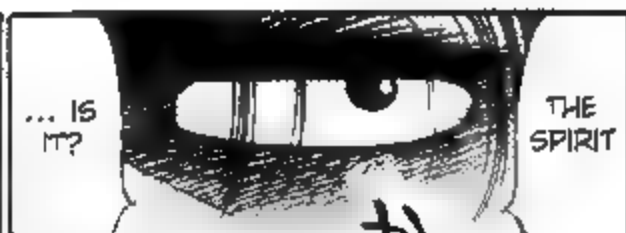
NO  
MATTER  
WHO I  
FIGHT,  
I'LL BEAT  
THEM  
WITH FULL  
STRENGTH

H  
M  
P  
H

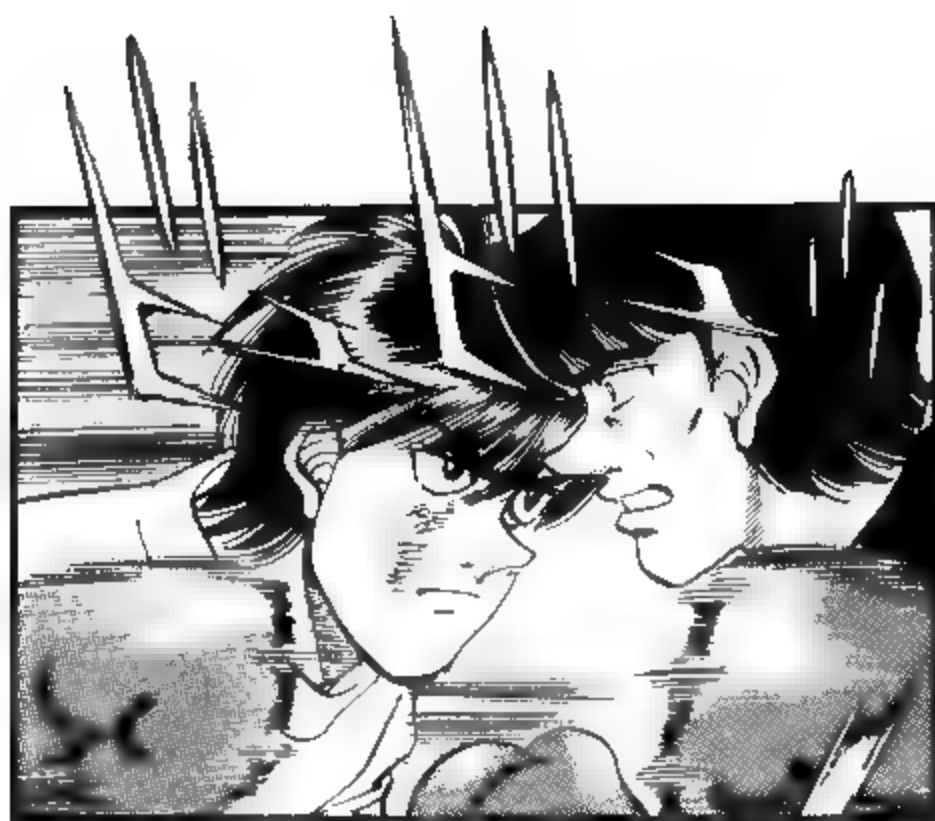


PL-,  
PLEASE  
DON'T  
MISUN-  
DER-  
STAND



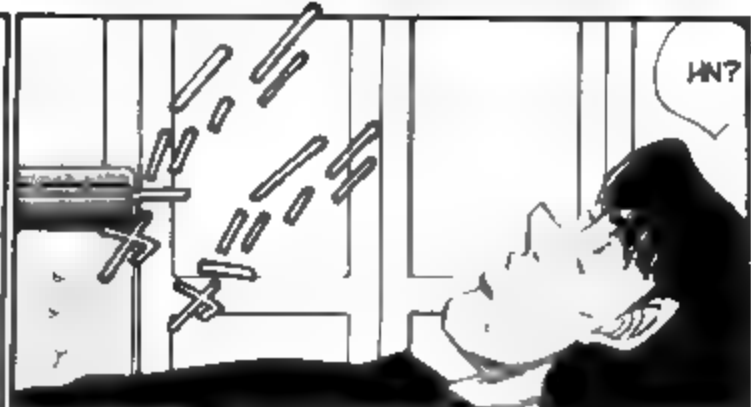


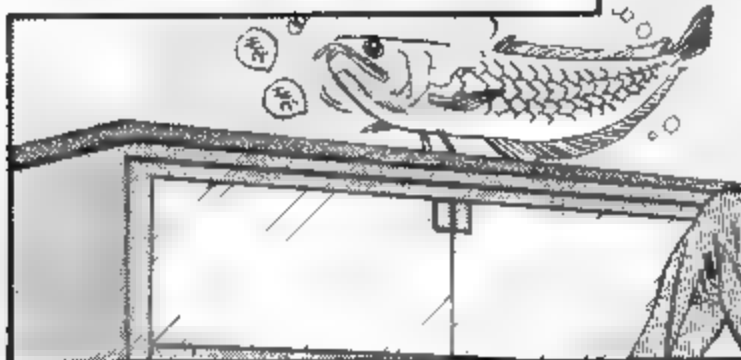
# はじめての一步







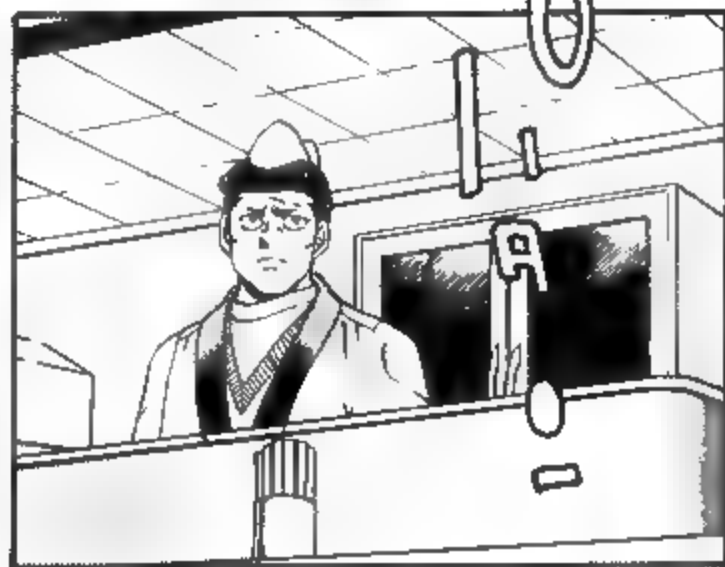


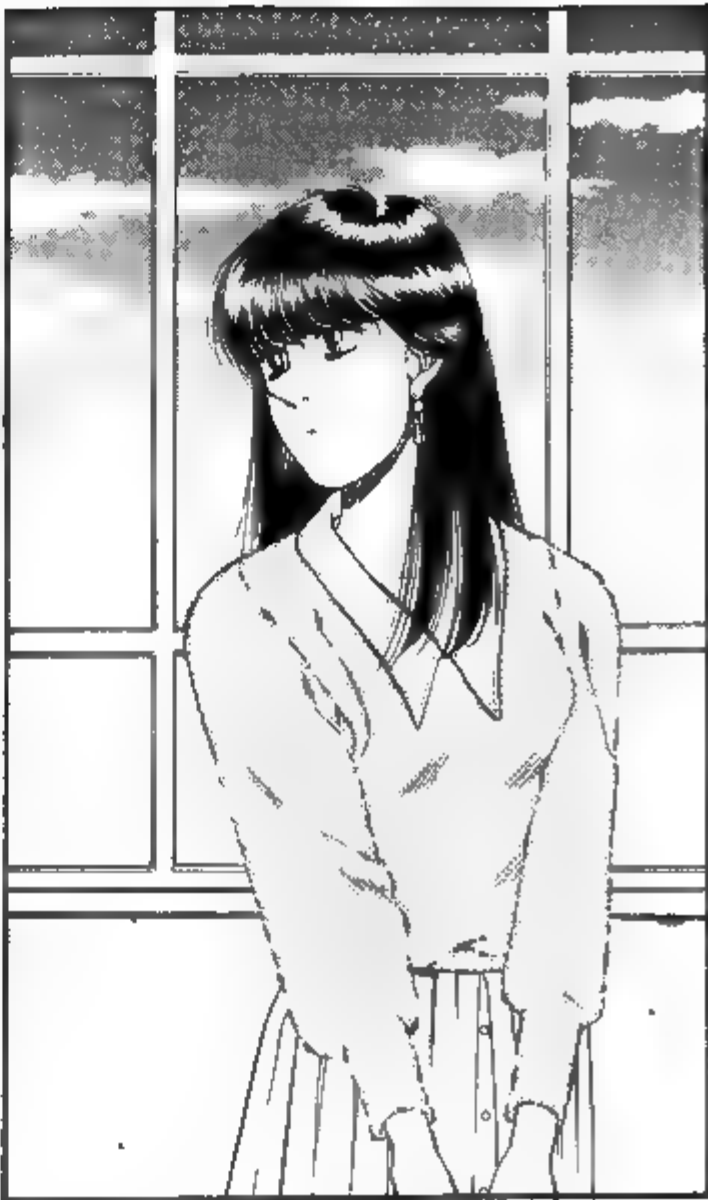














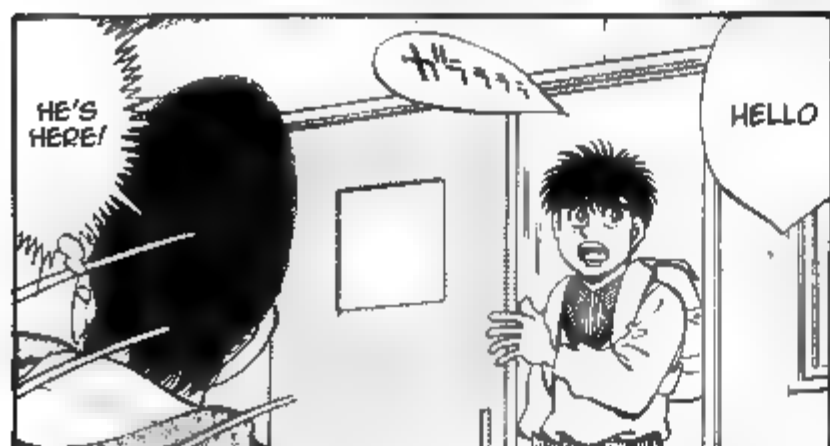
I'LL HAVE TO  
TEACH HIM THAT  
ONCE AND  
FOR ALL

THERE  
MUST  
BE CODES  
AMONGST  
MEN



NOW HE'S  
SET HIS  
SIGHTS ON  
IMMIRA MARI!

DAMN THAT  
IPPO, JUST  
BECAUSE  
HE COULDN'T  
MAKE UP WITH  
KUMI-CHAN



HE'S  
HERE!

HELLO



HND

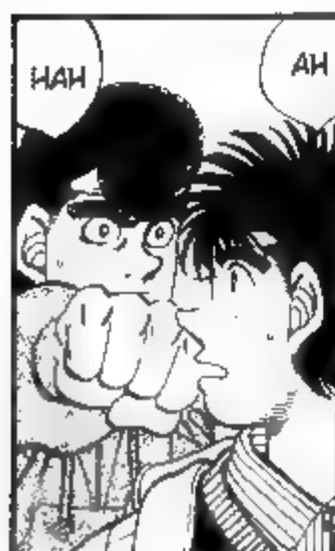
AH,  
THANK YOU  
VERY MUCH

I BROUGHT  
WHAT YOU  
ASKED FOR



BEAR-  
SLAYING  
PUNCH!!

TAKE  
THIS!



HAH

AH



I THINK  
THIS WILL  
BE OF  
SOME USE

EVEN  
THEN



THE  
OPPONENTS  
WEREN'T TOO  
GOOD, SO IT  
MAY NOT  
HELP MUCH

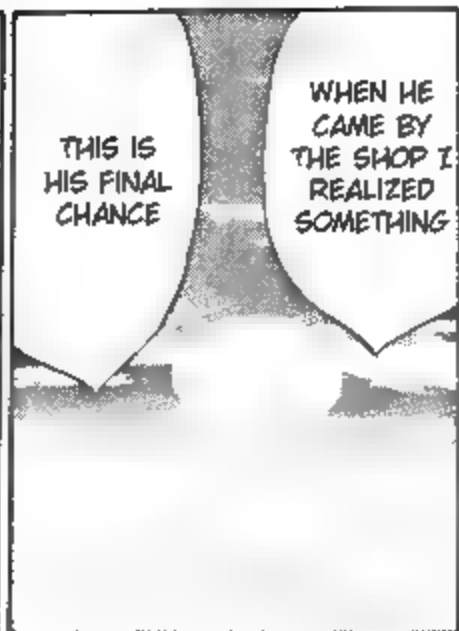
THESE ARE  
THE TAPES  
OF HIS  
SPARS  
BEFORE THE  
LAST TITLE  
MATCH













PLEASE!

WE'VE LOST  
SO MANY  
CHANCES  
ALREADY

IN SOCIETY  
WE'RE STILL  
YOUNG, BUT  
IN THE  
PROFESSION  
WE'RE AGING  
FAST

WE'RE  
ALREADY  
29 YEARS  
OLD WITH  
18 FIGHTS

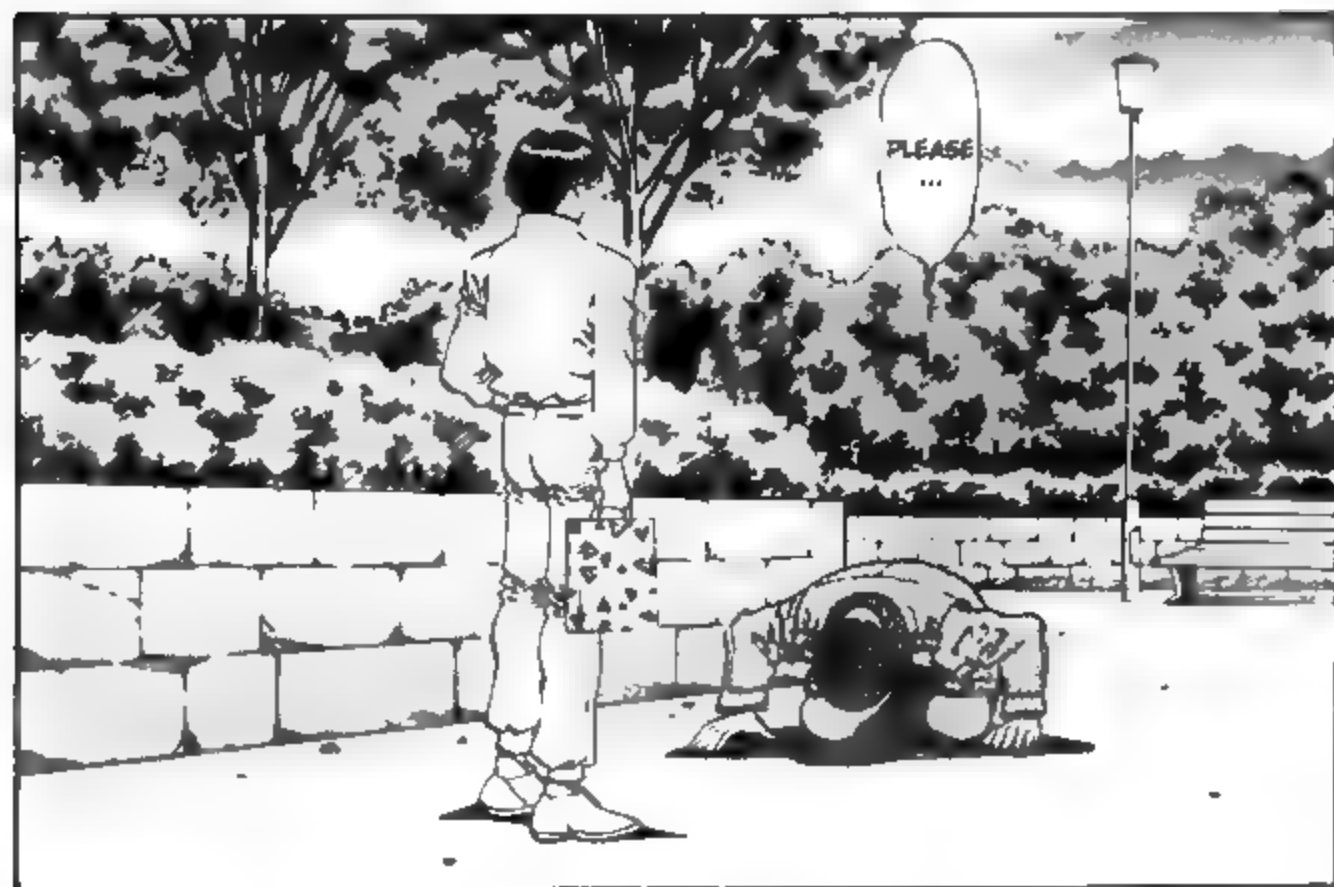


BUT AT  
LEAST

I WON'T  
ASK YOU  
TO TELL  
ME HE'LL  
WIN

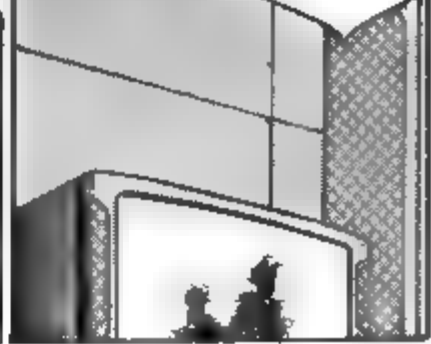
AT LEAST  
HELP HIM HAVE  
A FIGHT HE  
WON'T REGRET

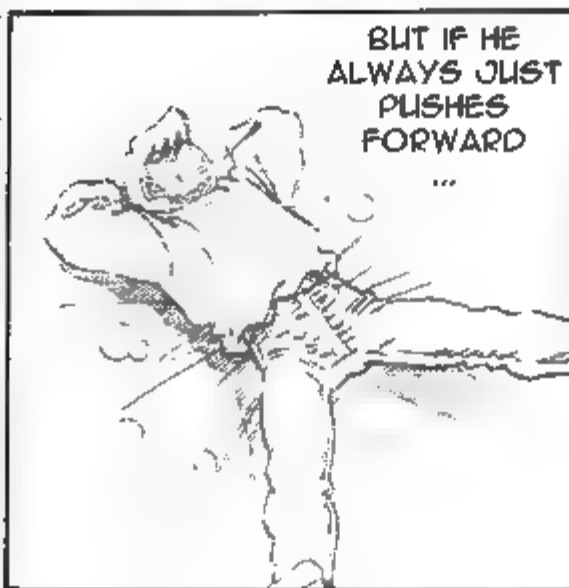
PLEASE  
BRING HIM  
THAT FAR











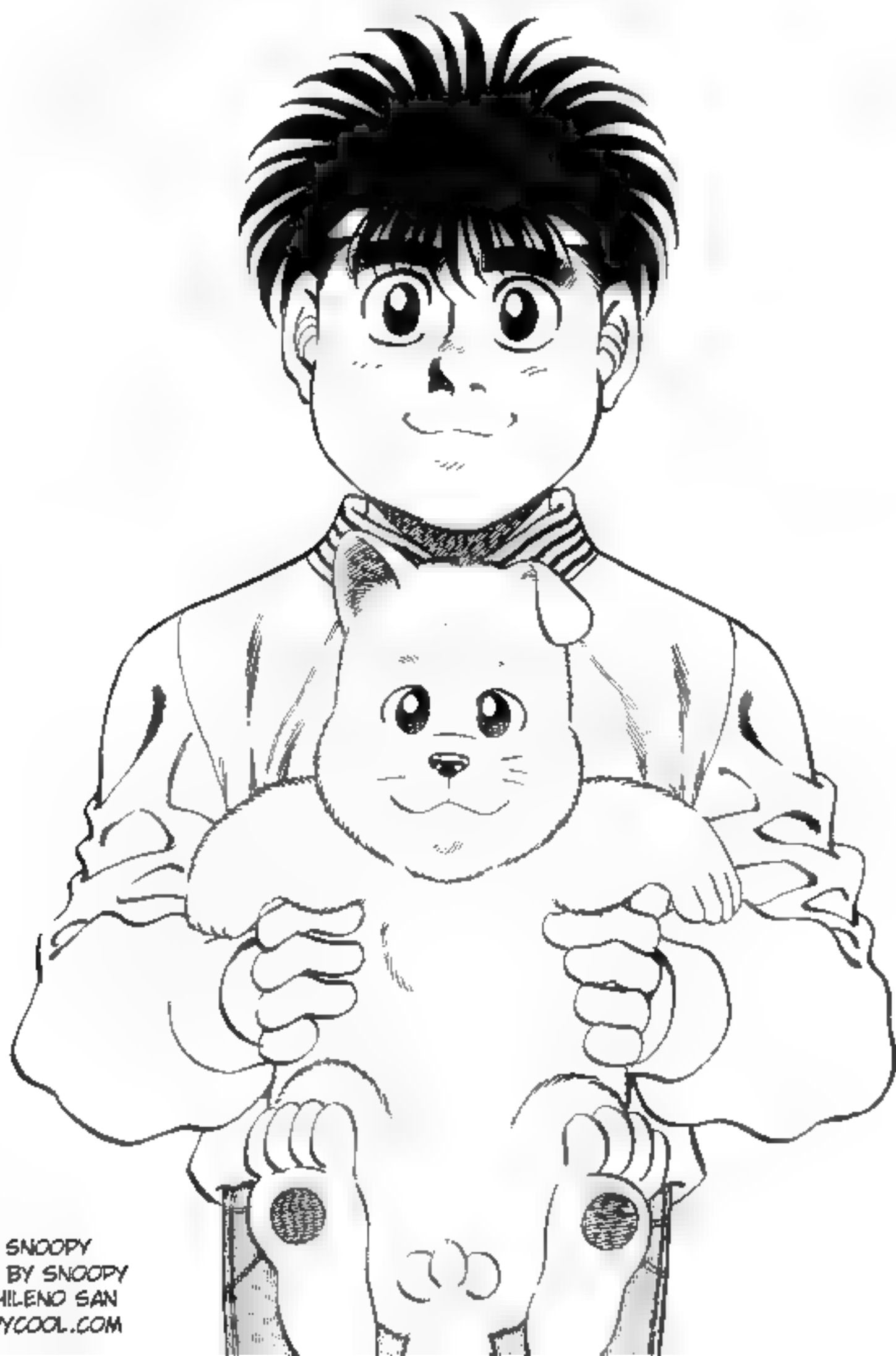


# はひめの一步



# はじめての THE FIGHTING! 歩

ラウンド  
**Round 274** *THE FUTURE WEAPON*











SO HE'S  
FOUGHT  
WITH HIM  
FOR 3  
WEEKS  
NOW

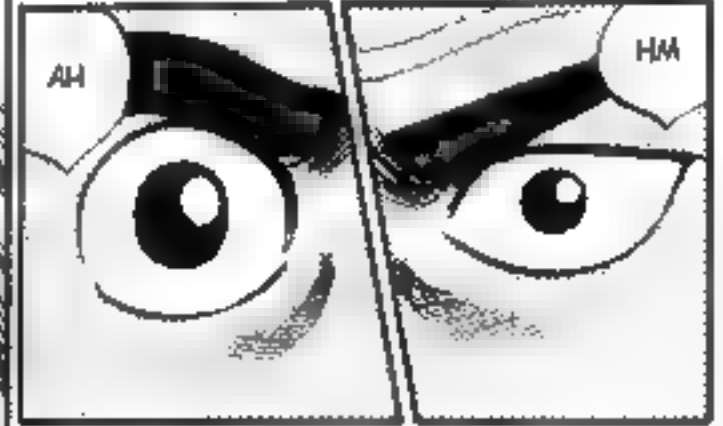
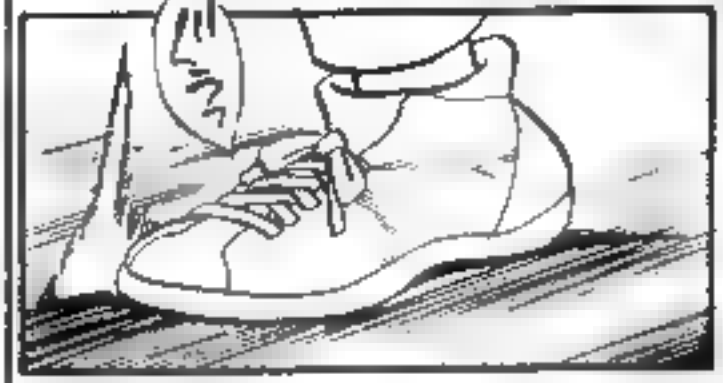
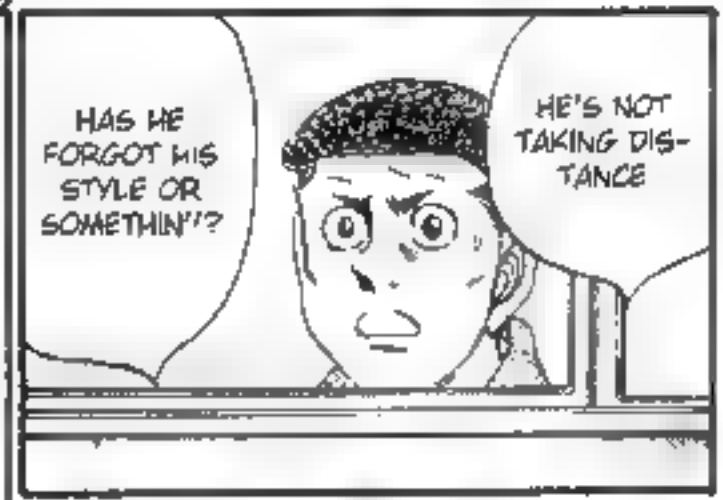
BUT  
MIYATA  
KUN'S  
MOVEMENTS  
ARE  
AWESOME...



THEN YOU  
REALLY DID  
COME TO  
MAKE FUN  
OF HIM?!



HAH! IT'S  
JUST AS  
PERFECT AS I  
THOUGHT





FIGHT-  
ING!

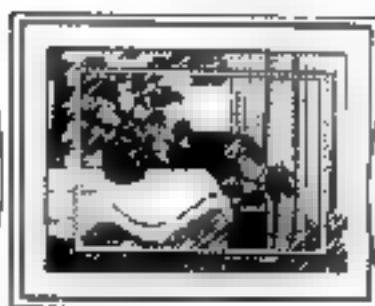






LOOKS  
LIKE HE'S  
DOING  
GOOD WITH  
THE NEW  
STYLE

IF YOU CAN  
GET PAST THE  
FLICKER TO HIS  
CHEST YOU  
HAVE IT MADE



MASHIBA-SAN HAS  
LONG ARMS, SO A  
FIGHT IN CLOSE IS  
BETTER THAN  
FROM A DISTANCE



IT'S NOT  
EASY TO  
PICK UP A  
NEW FIGHT-  
ING STYLE

THAT'S  
AMAZING  
TOO



MISS  
SOME-  
THING?

DID  
WE



AND IT'S  
POSSIBLE TO  
GET INTO  
MASHIBA'S  
CHEST, TOO

IT'S TRUE THAT  
PICKING UP IN-  
FIGHTING IN  
SUCH A SHORT  
TIME'S  
IMPRESSIVE



SHOCK. ?

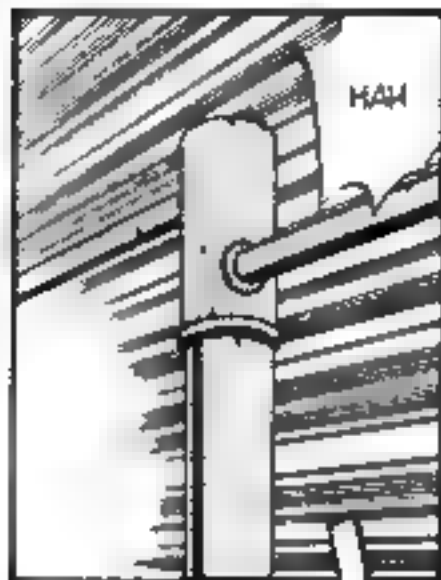
DES-  
PERATE



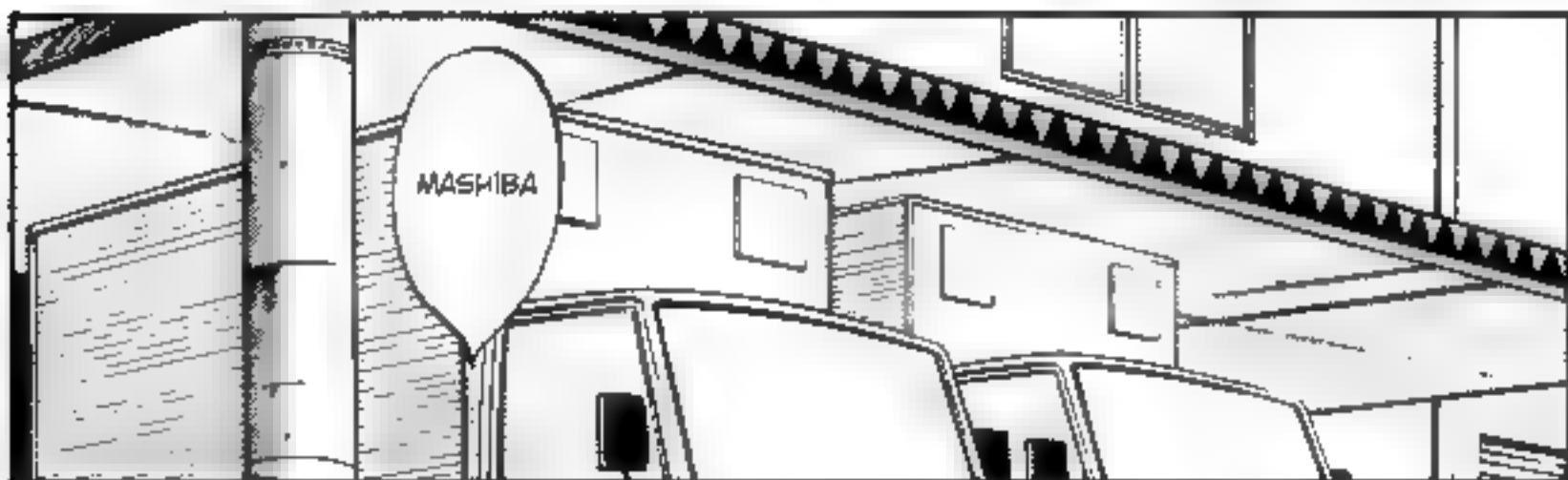
THE DESPER-  
ATE SHOCK  
WILL SET IT

AND  
THEN

KIMURA  
SHOULD  
BE FINDING  
OUT SOON

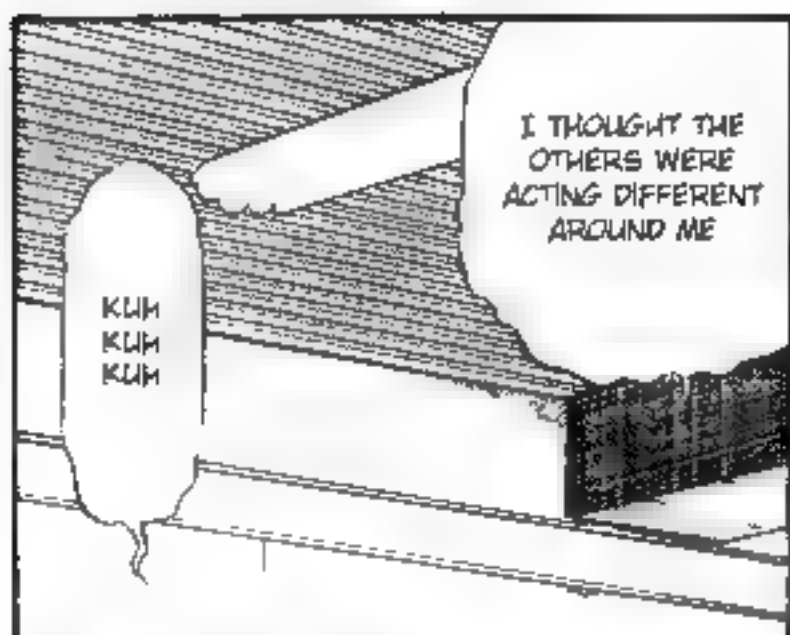












KUH  
KUH  
KUH

I THOUGHT THE  
OTHERS WERE  
ACTING DIFFERENT  
AROUND ME



SO I'VE  
COME THAT  
FAR

I SEE, THE  
WORLD

KUH  
KUH  
KUH



MASHIBA...



I'LL KEEP WIN-  
NING NO MATTER  
WHO I FIGHT

JUST GUYS  
WHO WOULD  
LEAVE ME IF I  
LOST

BUT I  
WON'T LOSE



WELL... IT  
LOOKS  
LIKE HE  
UNDER-  
STANDS



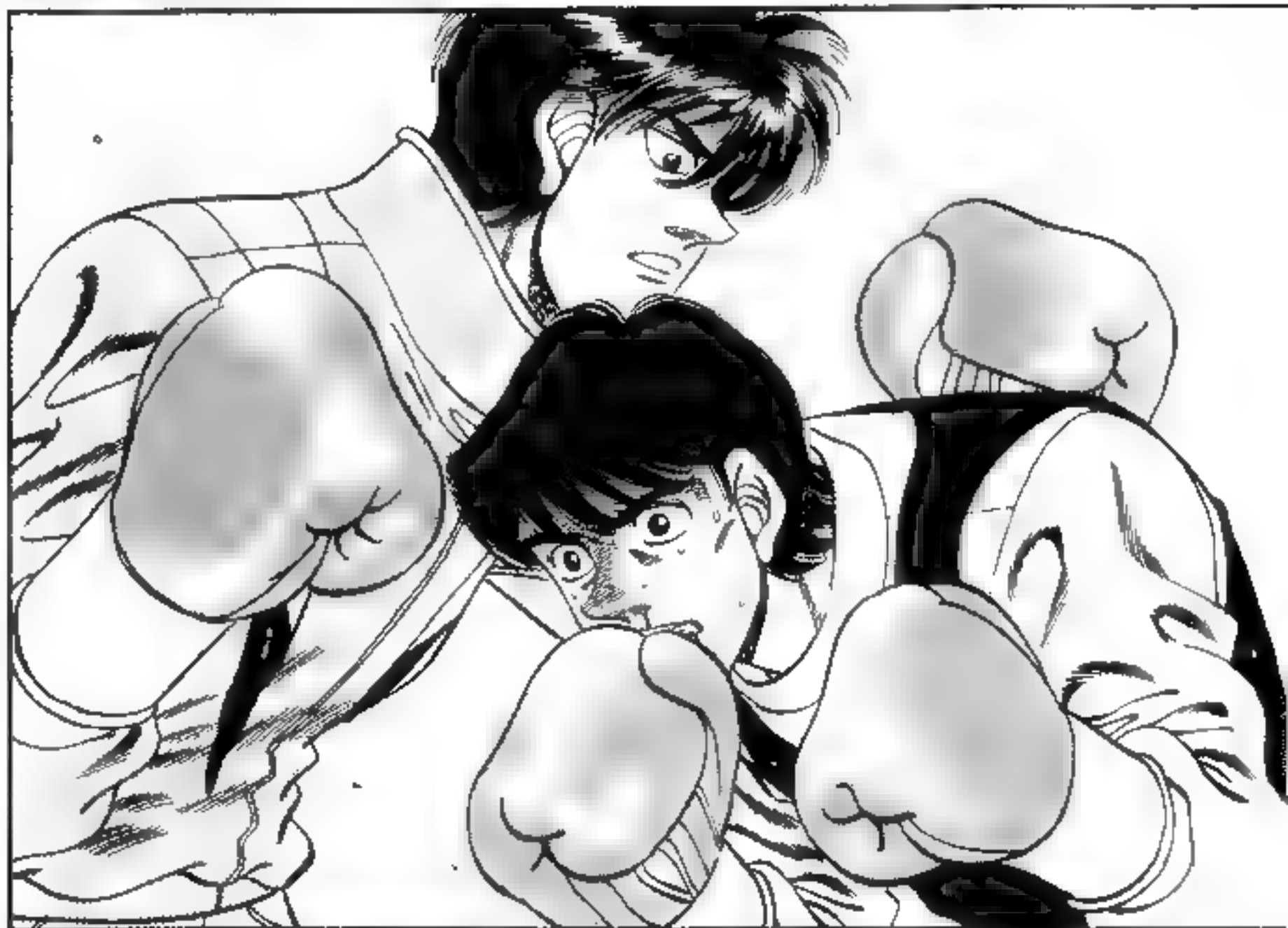
I'LL FORCE  
ANYONE IN MY  
WAY TO THEIR  
KNEES

FOR  
NOW  
THIS IS  
FOR THE  
BEST

BUT

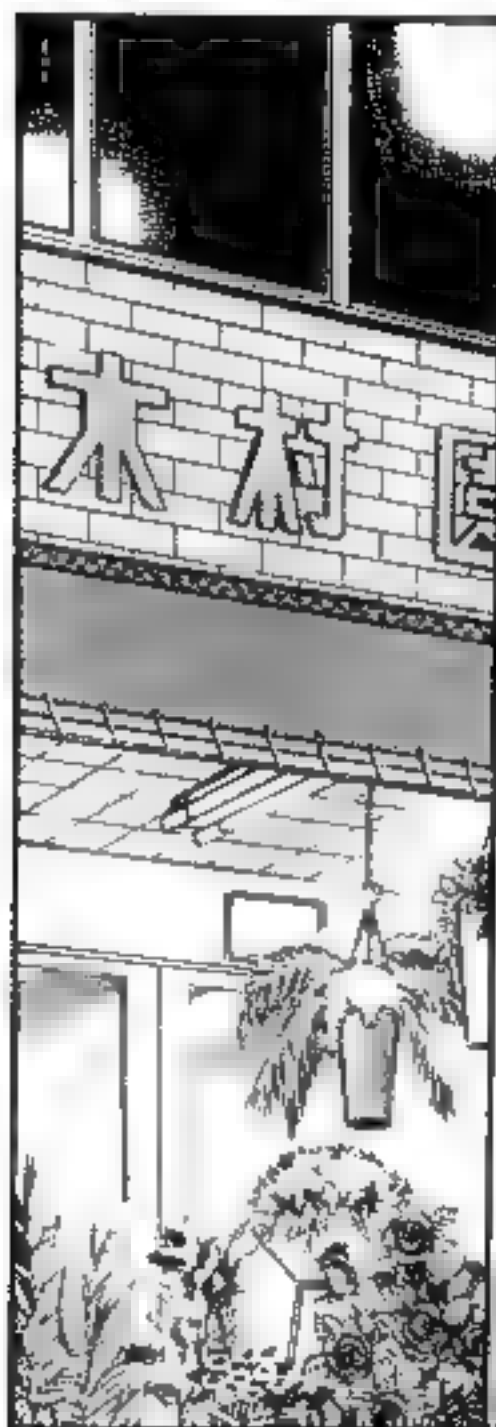














THAT'S WHY  
HE DIDN'T  
SAY ANY-  
THING ABOUT  
LEARNING TO  
IN-FIGHT

MIYATA  
KNEW IT  
ALL  
ALONG



I FEEL LIKE I  
TOOK A  
WORLD-  
CLASS  
COUNTER



WHAT THE  
HELL WAS  
I THINKING

I HAD FI-  
NALLY  
GOTTEN  
THIS  
FIGHTER  
STYLE  
DOWN  
AND I  
HAVE  
NOTHING  
TO USE  
WITH IT



WHAT  
DO I  
DO NOW

FLICK  
FLICK



FLICK

THEN I  
NEVER  
SHOULDA  
SW TCHED  
FROM MY  
OUTFIGHTING  
STYLE

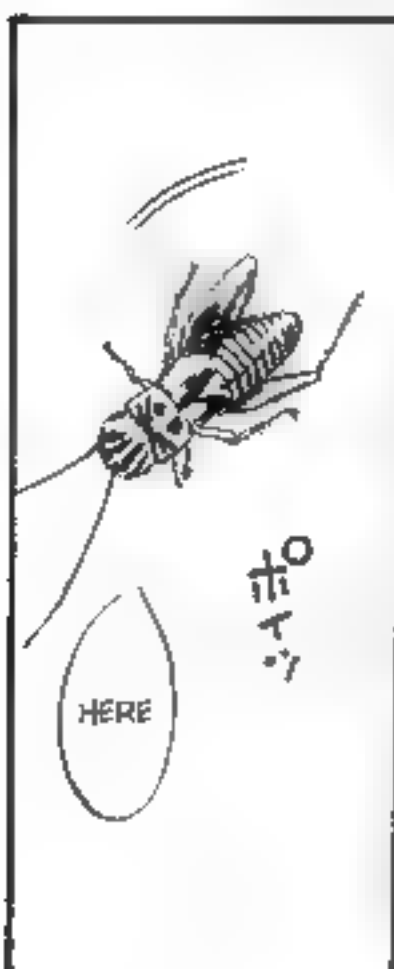


BUT  
WHAT  
DO I DO  
NEXT?

YOU CAN  
GET TO HIS  
STOMACH  
AS AN IN-  
FIGHTER

OUT  
FIGHTING'S  
NOT  
GONNA  
BEAT HIM

CALM  
DOWN,  
CALM DOWN  
AND THINK





# はじめての一步







**はじめの一撃**  
**THE FIGHTING!**



SHE  
JUMPED UP  
AND  
GRABBED  
THE FOOD!!

SHE REACHED  
IT... EVEN  
THOUGHT IT  
WAS THIS  
HIGH UP



THIS  
HIGH!!

SHE  
COULD  
REACH  
IT



ラウンド  
**Round 275**

**WHAT THE FISH TAUGHT ME**







BUT WHAT'S THE  
THING? LIKE A  
SANDBAG OR  
SOMETHING?



HIS MOM SAID  
HE LEFT FOR  
THE PARK 2  
HOURS AGO



SO I THINK  
THE TIRE REP-  
RESENTS THE  
BODY

IT'S ABOUT  
THE SAME  
HEIGHT AS  
MASHIBA-SAN'  
T LEFT ARM



YA THINK  
HE'S BEEN  
DOING THIS  
THE ENTIRE  
TIME?







HE CAN STAND  
THROUGH HELL  
ITSELF'



AND ABOVE  
ALL ELSE,  
IF THE  
VICTORY  
IS AT  
STAKE

MASHIRA-SAN  
HAS  
INCREDIBLE  
ABDOMINAL  
MUSCLES!

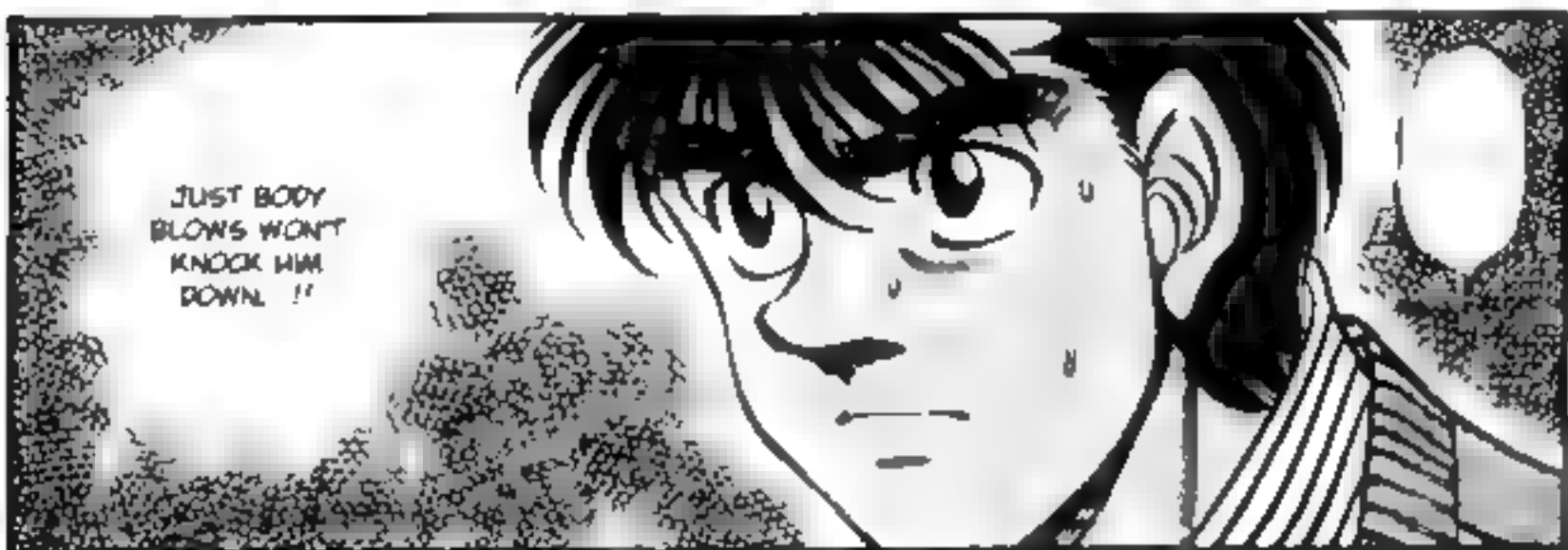


YEAH! I  
SEE I SEE!



WHILE IT'S  
TRUE THAT  
THAT BODY  
BLOW WOULD  
HURT LIKE HELL

THAT'S  
WHAT  
I  
SAY,  
BUT



JUST BODY  
BLOWS WON'T  
KNOCK HIM  
DOWN !!

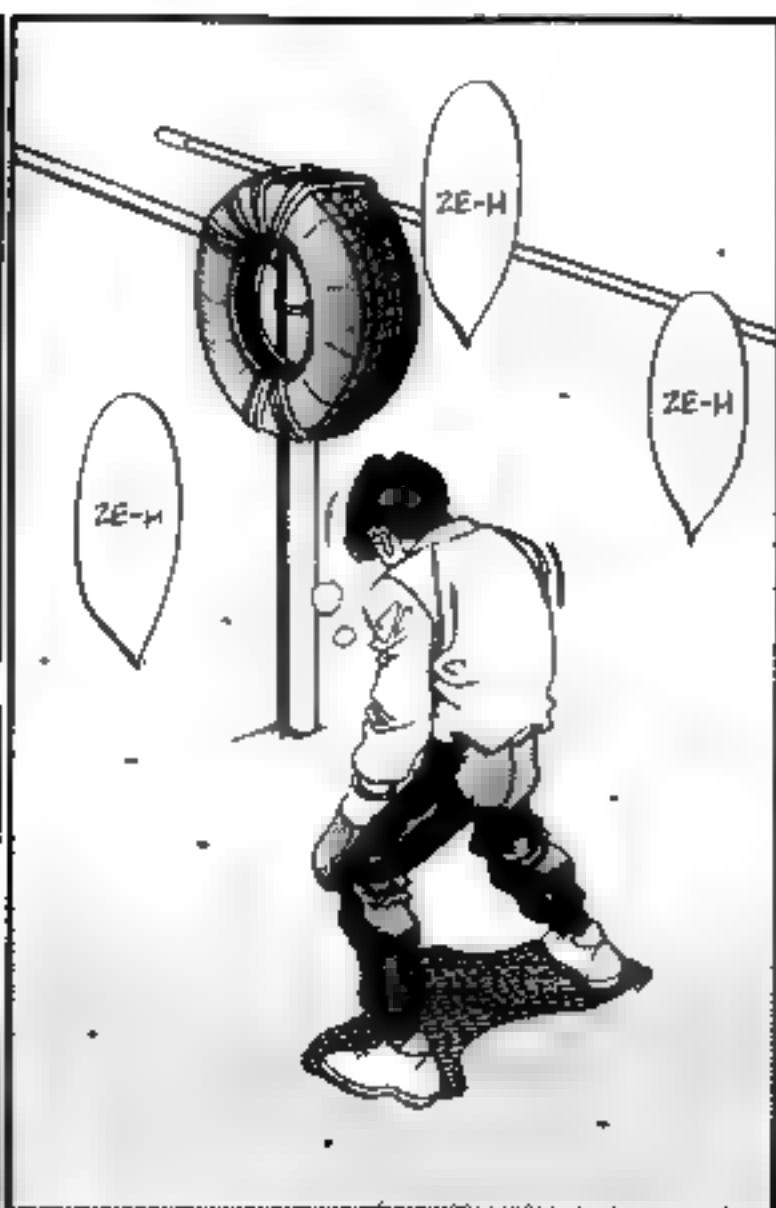
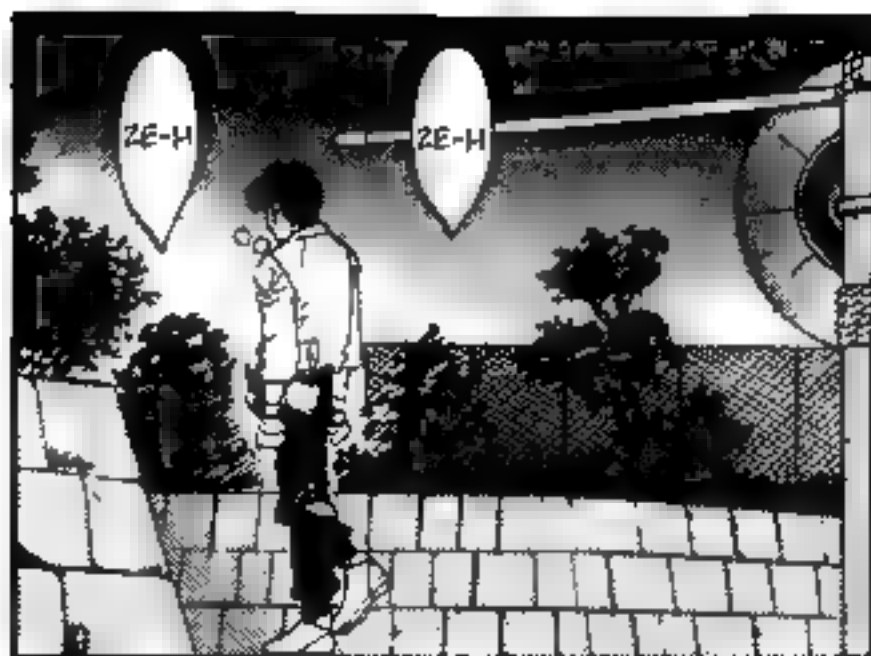


I JUST  
CAN'T  
SAY IT

BUT I  
CAN'T  
SAY IT

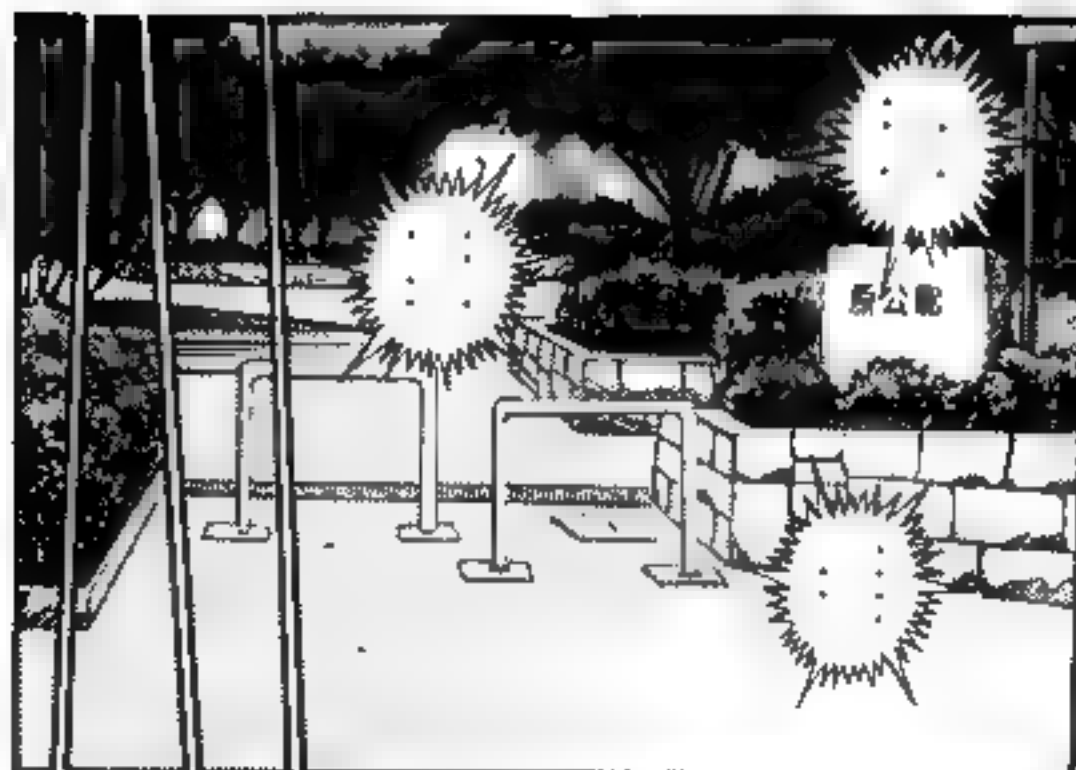


















AND  
REGULATORY  
THINGS

I THOUGHT IT  
WAS BECAUSE  
MEMBER OF  
THE SAME GYM  
CAN'T FIGHT IN  
TOURNAMENTS  
TOGETHER



KIMURA AND I  
ARE THE  
SAME HEIGHT  
AND WEIGHT

YOU EVER  
THINK IT  
WAS  
STRANGE?

BUT WE  
CHOSE TO BE  
IN DIFFERENT  
CLASSES



SO WE  
WOULDN'T  
GET IN EACH  
OTHER'S  
WAY

RIGHT



WHEN KIMURA  
SAID HE WAS  
GONNA BE A  
JUNIOR LIGHT I  
JUST SAID 'OK,  
WHATEVER'

I WAS  
TOTALLY  
CLUELESS  
ABOUT  
BOXING

BACK  
WHEN WE  
JOINED  
THE GYM



AND HE LEFT  
THE EASY  
ROAD FOR ME

HE  
TOOK  
THE  
HARDER  
PATH



HE NEVER  
COMPLAINED  
ABOUT IT ONCE



BUT  
KIMURA-SAN  
WAS IN ONE  
CLASS EVEN  
LOWER..



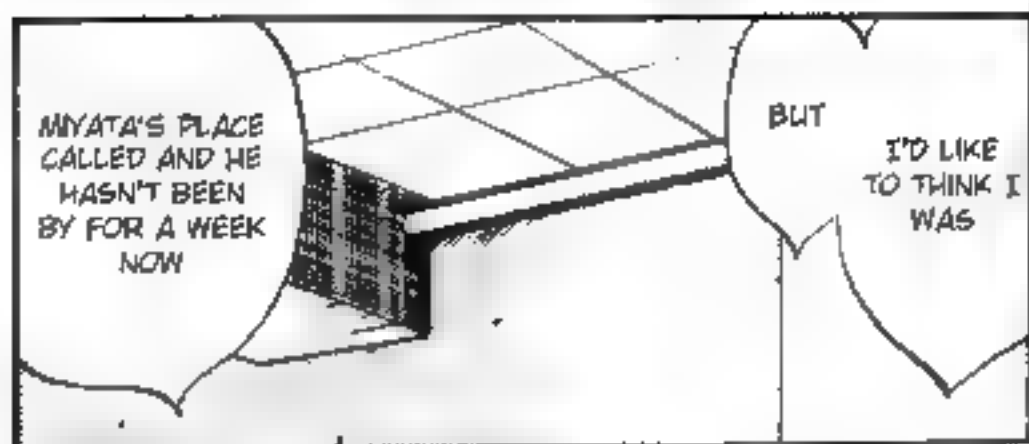
I NEVER  
THOUGHT  
IT'D BE  
SO HARD.

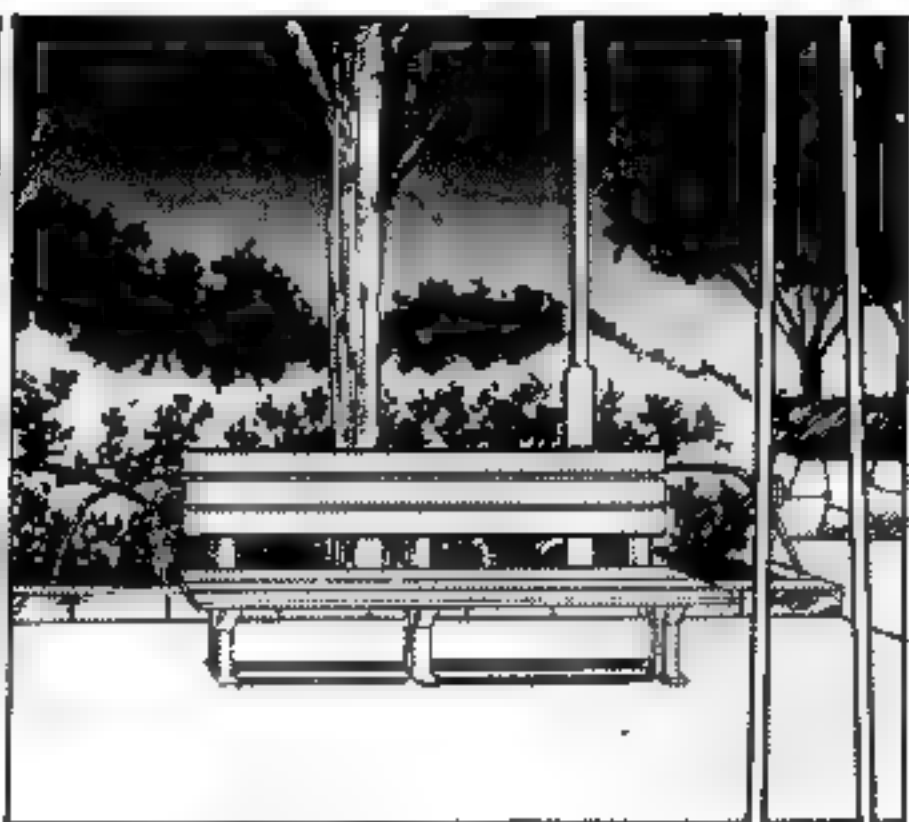
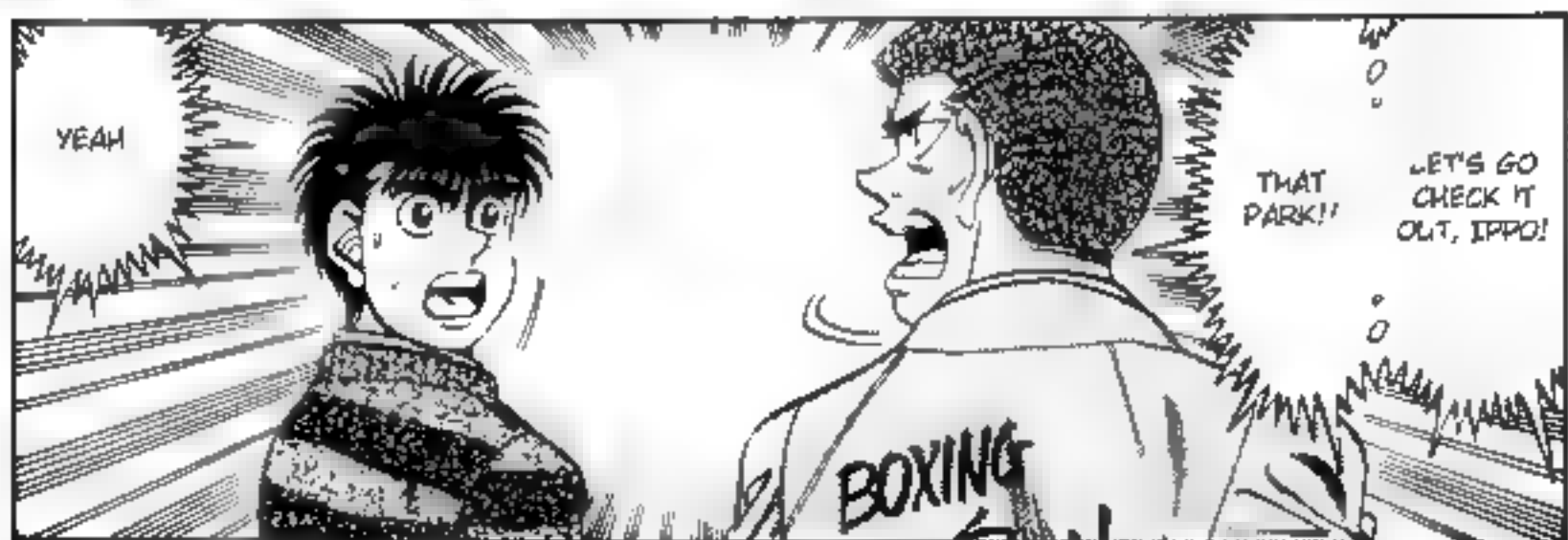
BUT WHEN  
THE  
MATCH  
GOT  
CLOSER I  
STARTED  
MY DIET





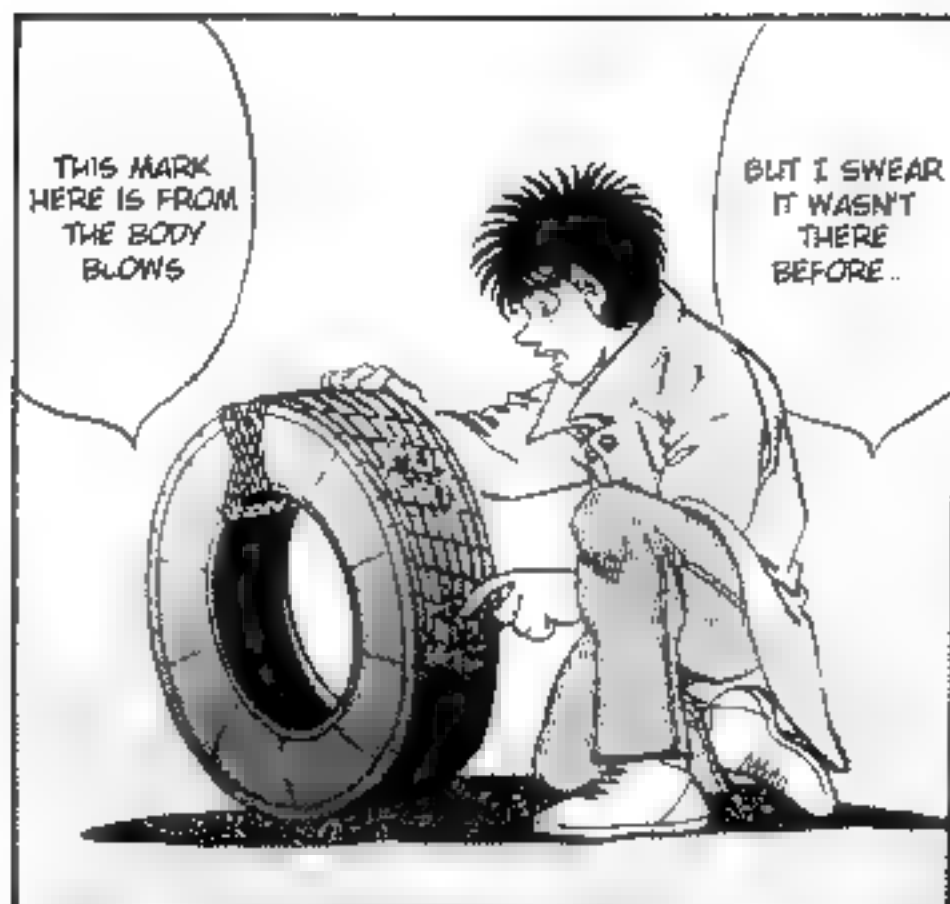














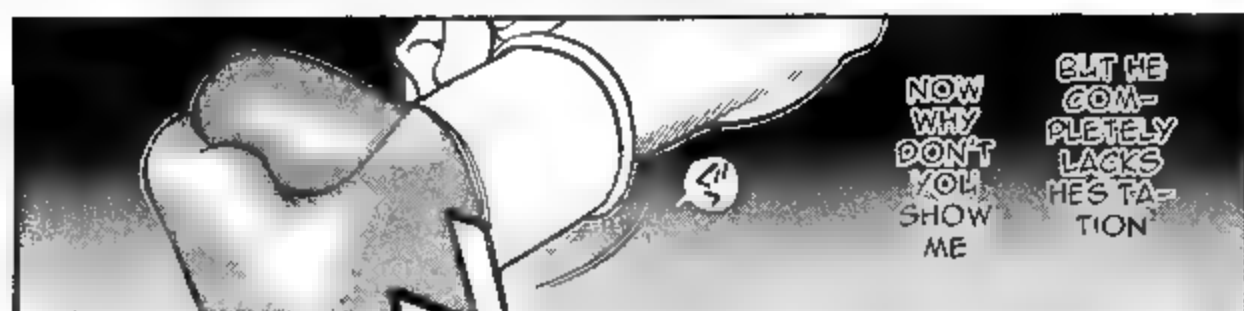


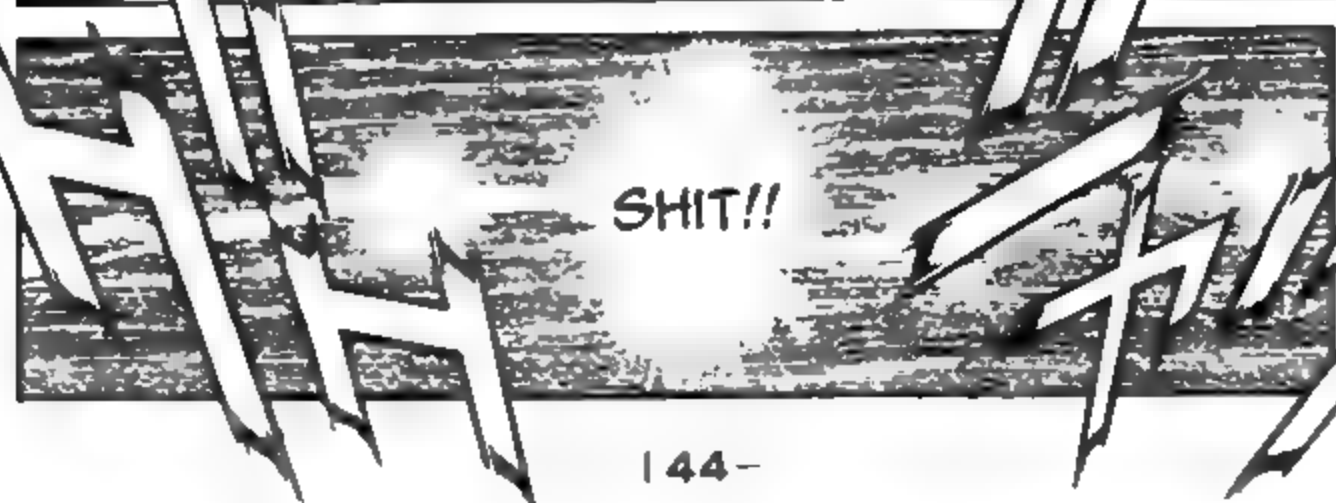
YEAH



# はじめての一步











NOR  
WOULD  
IT BE



MASHIBA...



IF YOU  
WERE TO  
POLISH IT TO  
'COMPLE-  
TION'

THE ONE  
STANDING  
WOULDN'T  
BE ME



ALL I  
GOTTA DO  
NOW IS  
POLISH IT  
UP

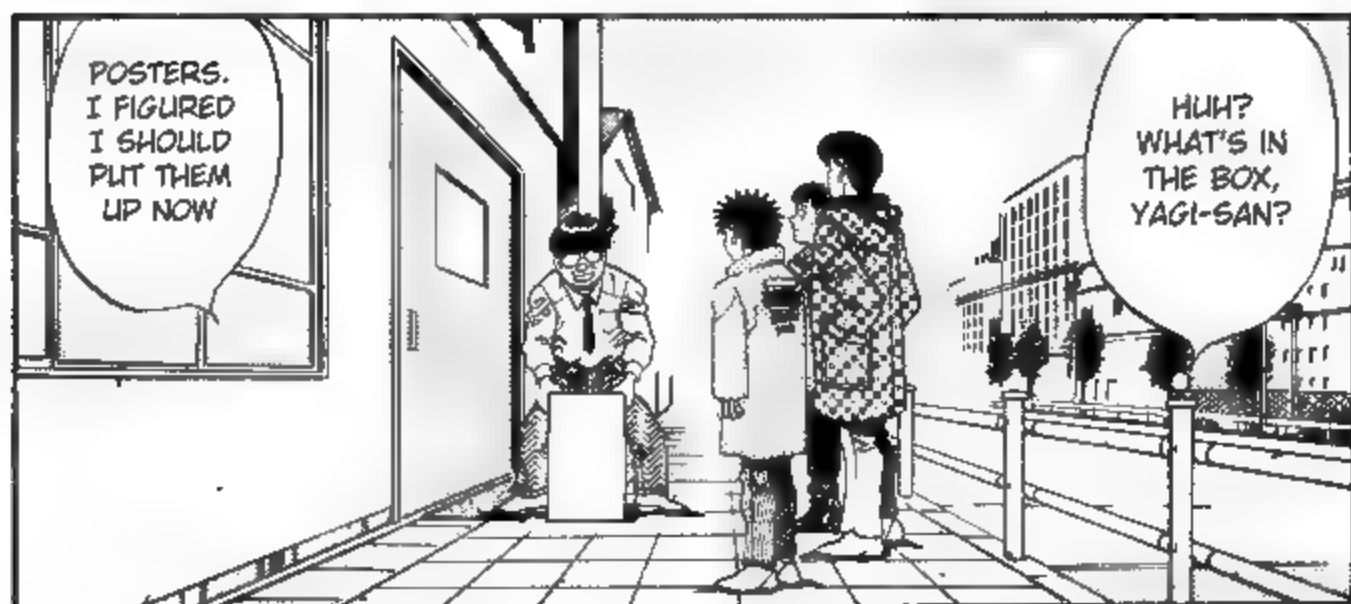
I DOUBT  
I'LL BE  
DROPPING  
BY HERE  
ANYMORE



KIMURA-  
SAN

I EXPECT  
GREAT  
THINGS





Champion  
Carnival

Japan Junior Lightweight Title Match

# EXECUTION



Japan Junior Lightweight Champion

**MASHIBA RYOU**

19 Fights 14 Wins 12 KO 1 Loss

VS 10R

Domestic Top Seed

**KIMURA TATSUYA**

16 Fights 12 Wins 8 KO 3 Losses 1 Tie

WBC World Champion

WBC World Champion

WBC World Champion

199X Feb 17th  
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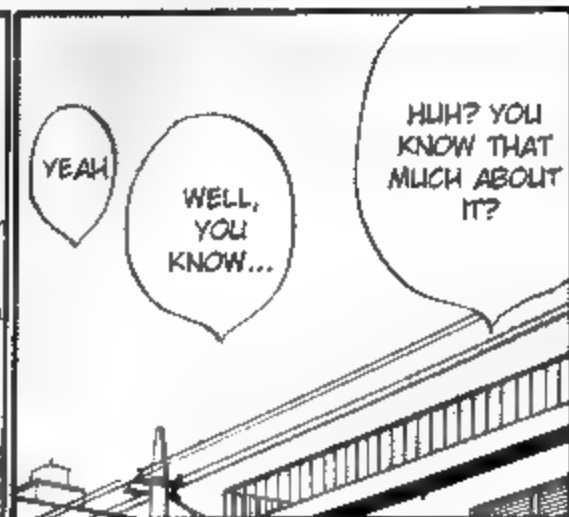
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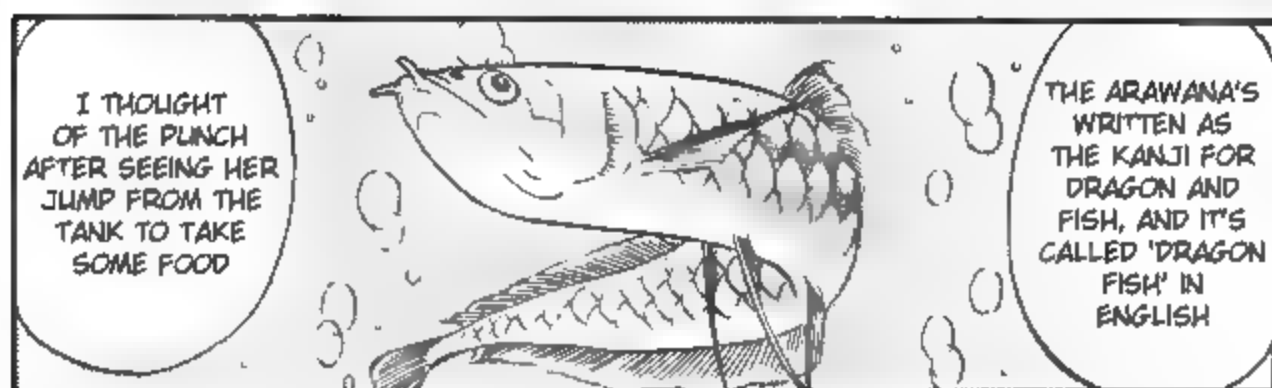


WHAT A  
GREAT  
POSTER~

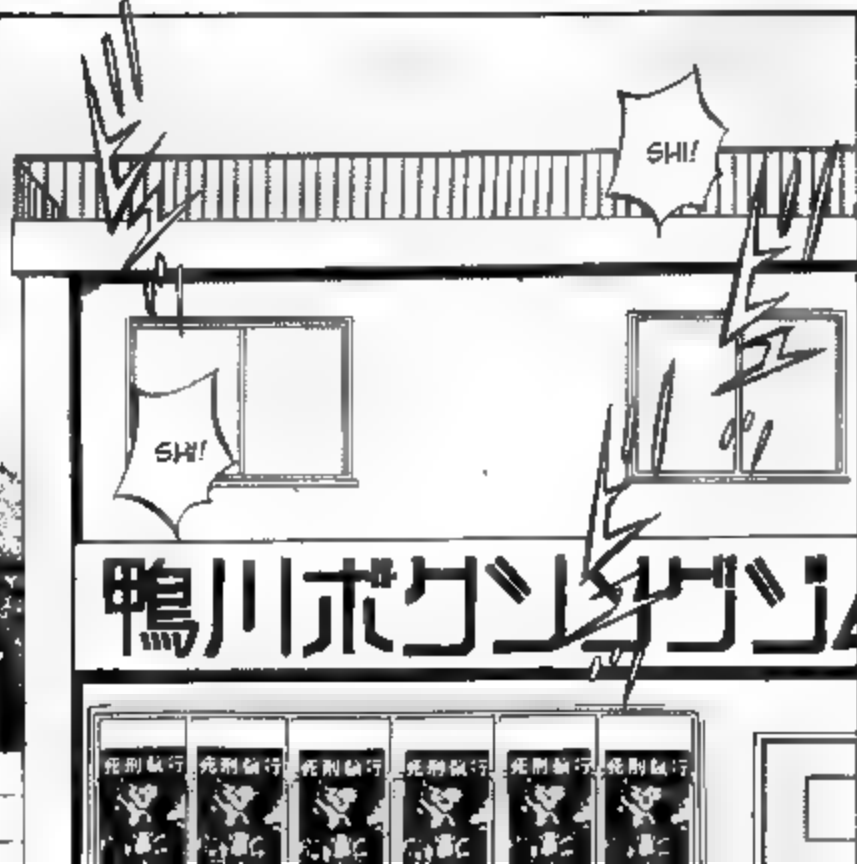


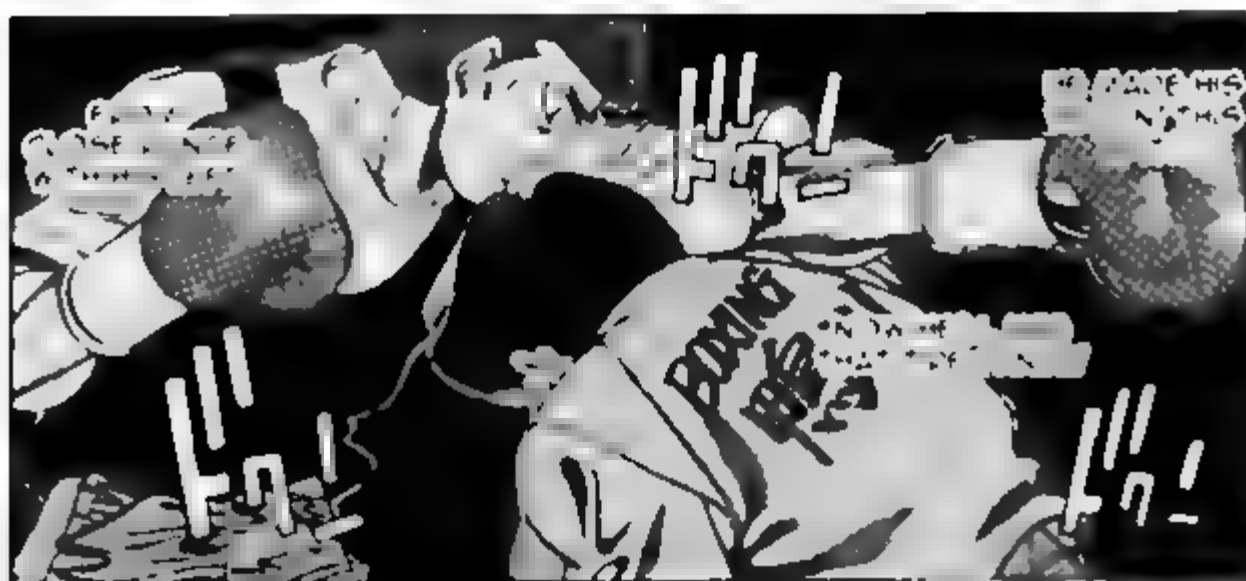












CHE, IT HURT EVEN  
THROUGH THE  
GUARD  
THIS  
WAY BETTER  
THAN BEFORE!



GU-  
HAH!



THERE'S  
SOMETHING  
MORE..



N-  
NO

THAT THE  
DRAGON!?

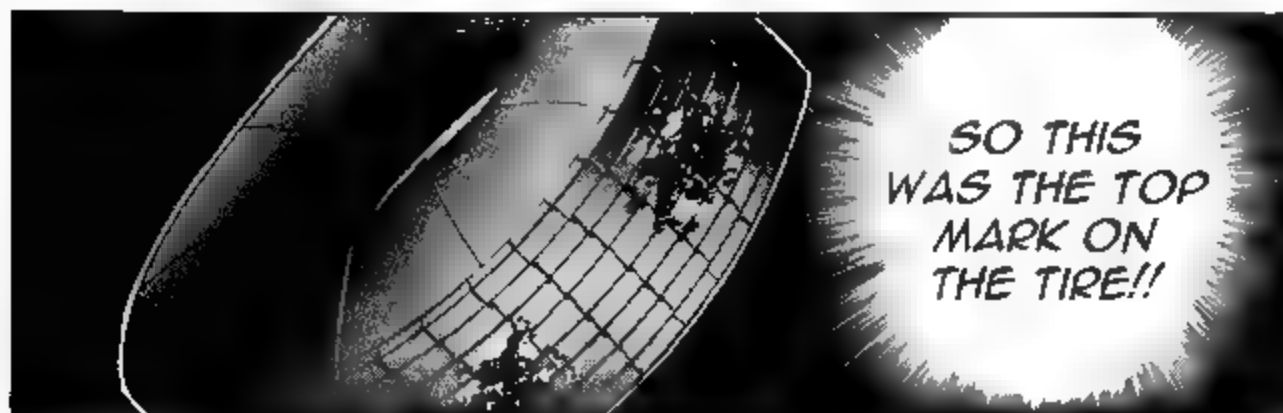
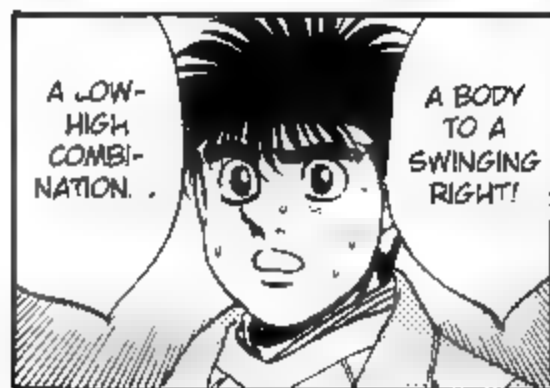
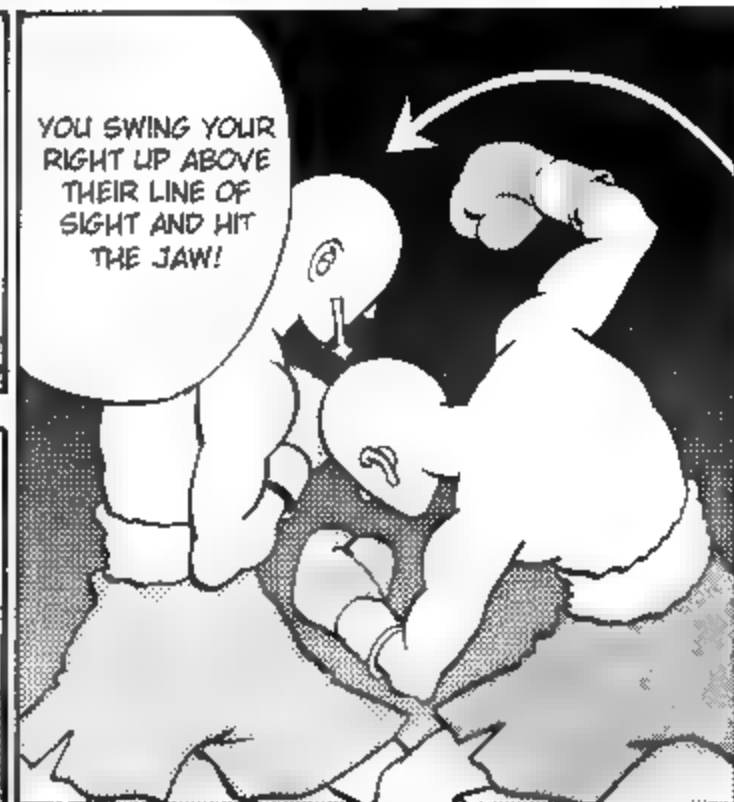
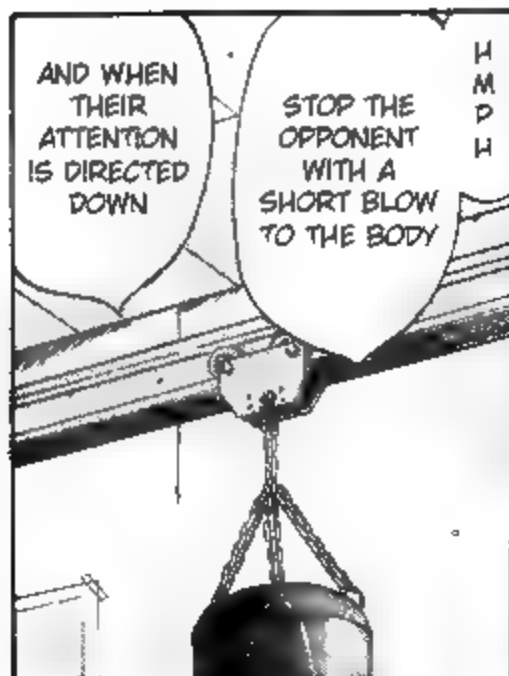


THAT'S  
IT?

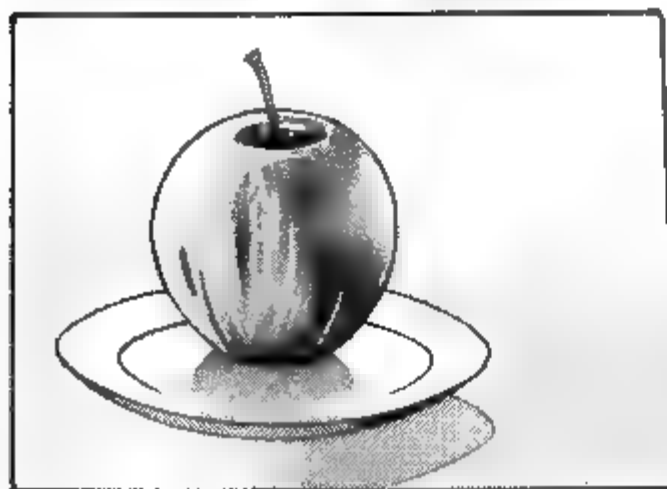










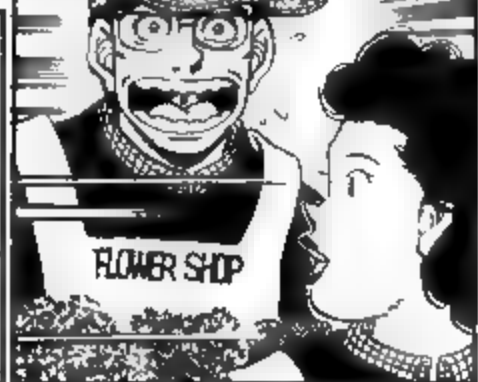
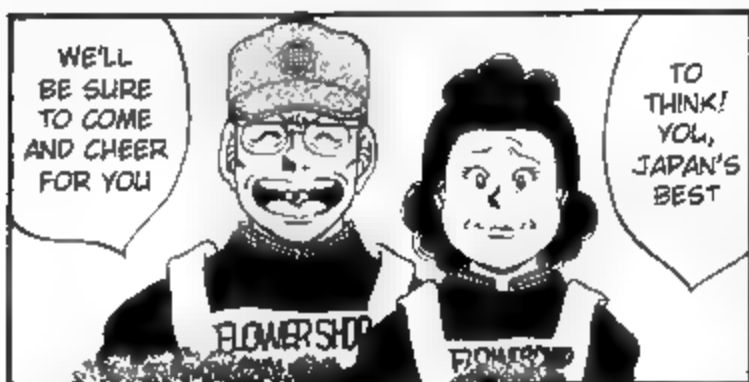


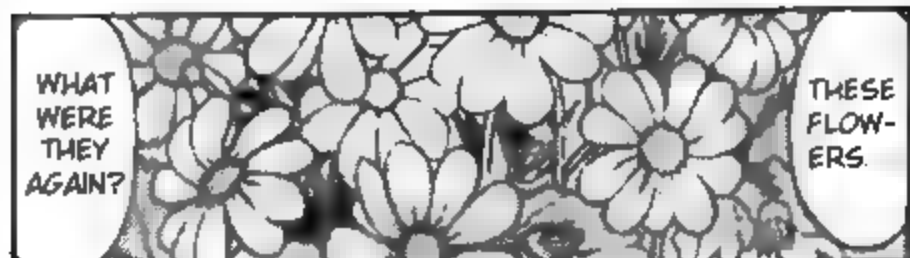




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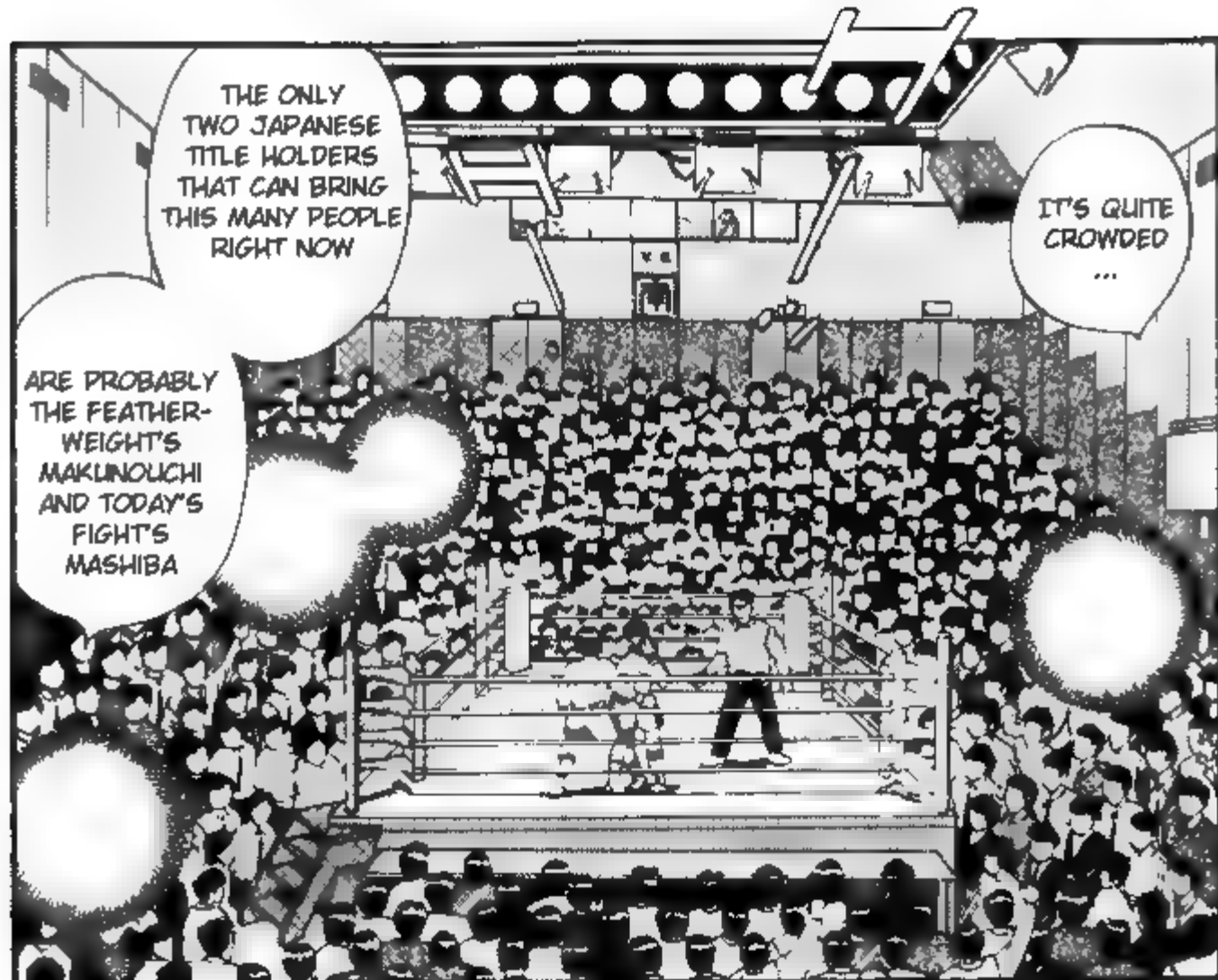
THEY'RE  
CALLING IT  
'EXECUTION'

ONE HELL  
OF A POSTER

THE FIGHT'LL  
PROBABLY  
TURN OUT JUST  
LIKE THE  
POSTER SAYS

GIVES ME  
CHILLS

THE RING'LL  
LOOK LIKE  
A CRIME  
SCENE



THE ONLY  
TWO JAPANESE  
TITLE HOLDERS  
THAT CAN BRING  
THIS MANY PEOPLE  
RIGHT NOW

IT'S QUITE  
CROWDED  
...

ARE PROBABLY  
THE FEATHER-  
WEIGHT'S  
MAKINOUCHI  
AND TODAY'S  
FIGHT'S  
MASHIBA



RIGHT

MAKINOUCHI  
BRINGS IN  
YOUNG  
PEOPLE WHO  
SEE THEM-  
SELVES IN  
HIM AND  
CHEER FOR  
HIM...

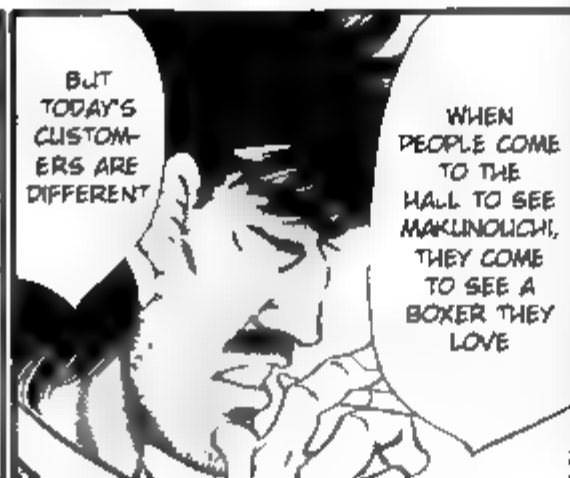


MAKU-  
NOUCHI'S  
FANS ARE  
PURE-  
BLOODED  
BOXING  
FANS...  
AND?

BUT THE  
REASONS  
ARE  
COMPLETELY  
DIFFERENT  
...

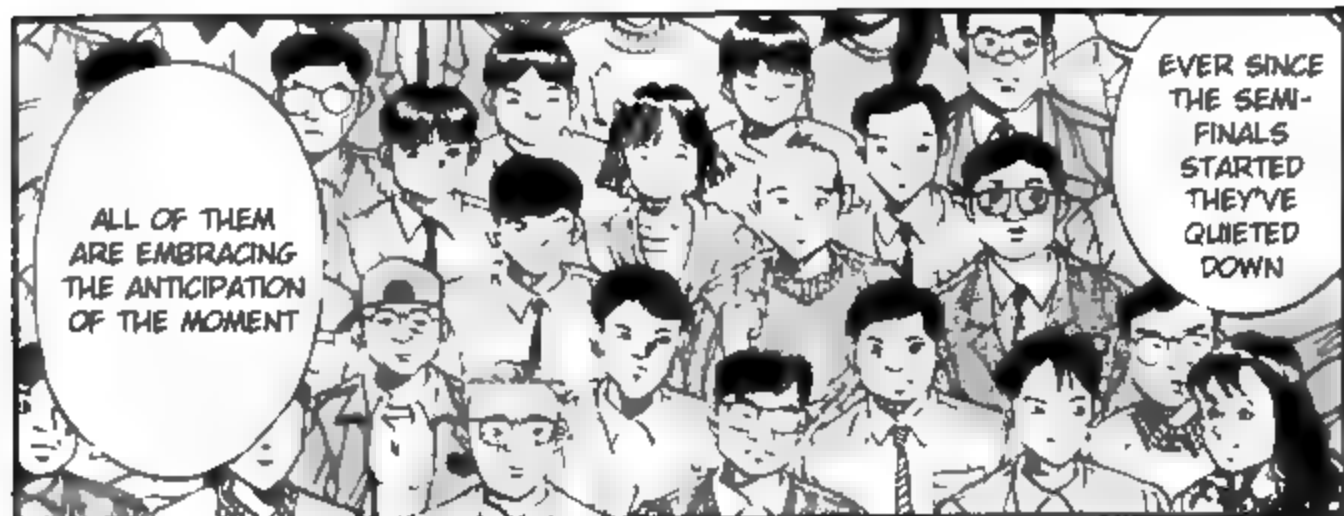


LOOK AT  
THEIR  
EYES!

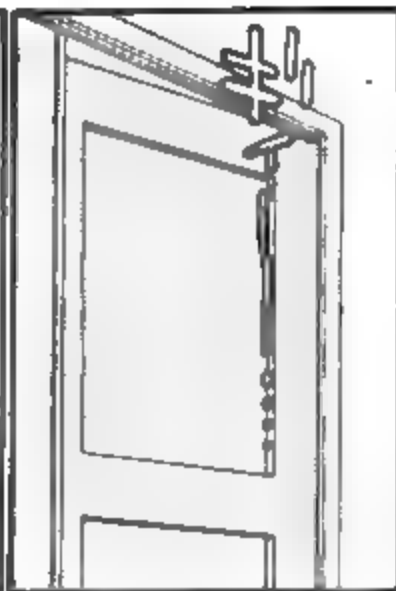
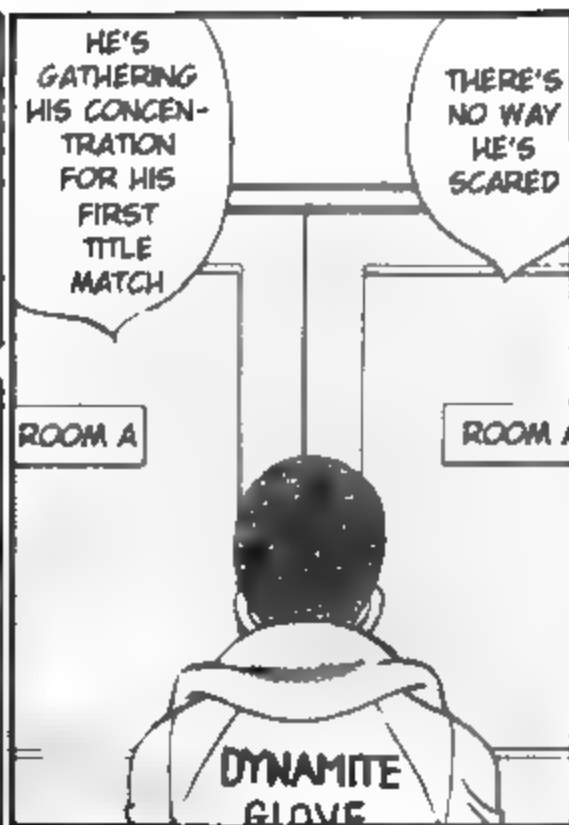
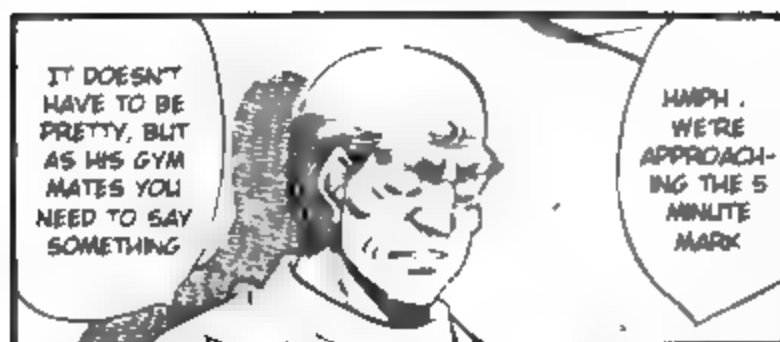


BUT  
TODAY'S  
CUSTOM-  
ERS ARE  
DIFFERENT

WHEN  
PEOPLE COME  
TO THE  
HALL TO SEE  
MAKINOUCHI,  
THEY COME  
TO SEE A  
BOXER THEY  
LOVE













DOESN'T  
MATTER  
WHAT KINDA  
EYES HE HAS,  
HE'S STILL  
HUMAN

GET  
SERIOUS,  
MAN!

WHAT'S  
THE  
POINT OF  
GETTING  
SCARED  
NOW!?



DOESN'T  
MATTER  
IF HE'S  
HUMAN

HEH  
...



GEEZ  
...

I WAS  
JUST  
REMEM-  
BERING  
MASHIBA'S  
EYES  
FROM THE  
WEIGH-IN  
YESTER-  
DAY

THOSE  
AREN'T  
THE EYES  
OF A MAN



I'LL  
TAKE THE  
BELT!

NO  
MATTER  
WHAT HE  
IS...



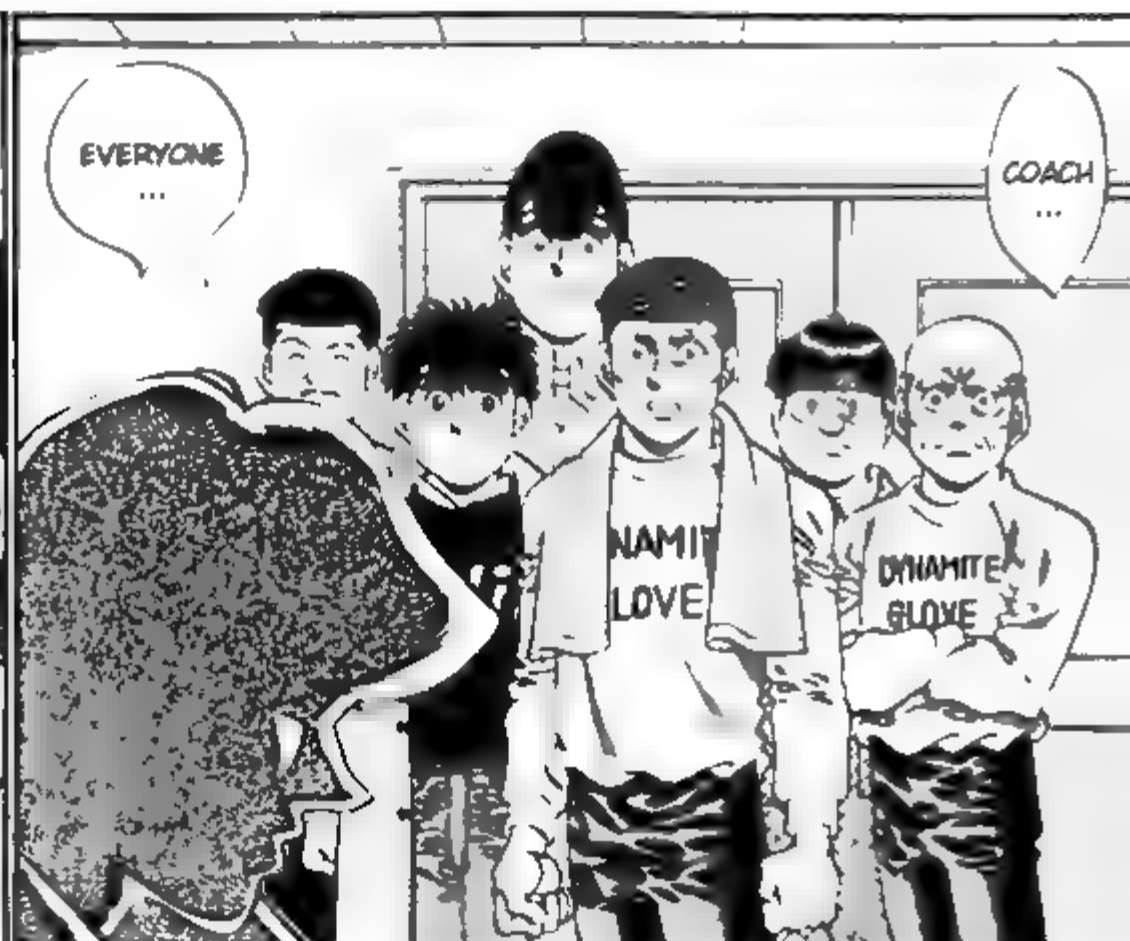
HE-  
HEH  
...

THAT'S THE  
SPIRIT!!

YEAH!



I HAVE  
SOMETHING  
I WANNA  
TELL YOU



EVERYONE  
...

COACH  
...



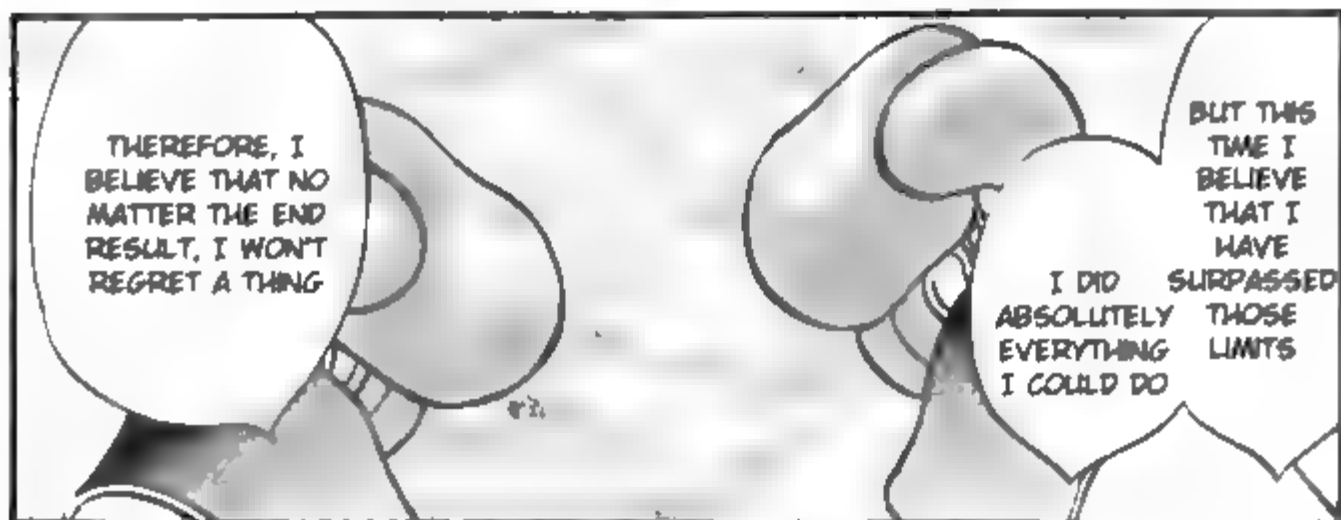
BUT NOW  
I KNOW  
HOW  
NAIVE I  
WAS...  
TO THINK  
THOSE WERE  
MY LIMITS  
WAS THE  
PROBLEM

I... HAVE  
ALWAYS  
PLANNED  
TO PRACTICE  
TO MY LIMITS  
BEFORE EVERY  
FIGHT



WE'RE  
LISTENING  
...

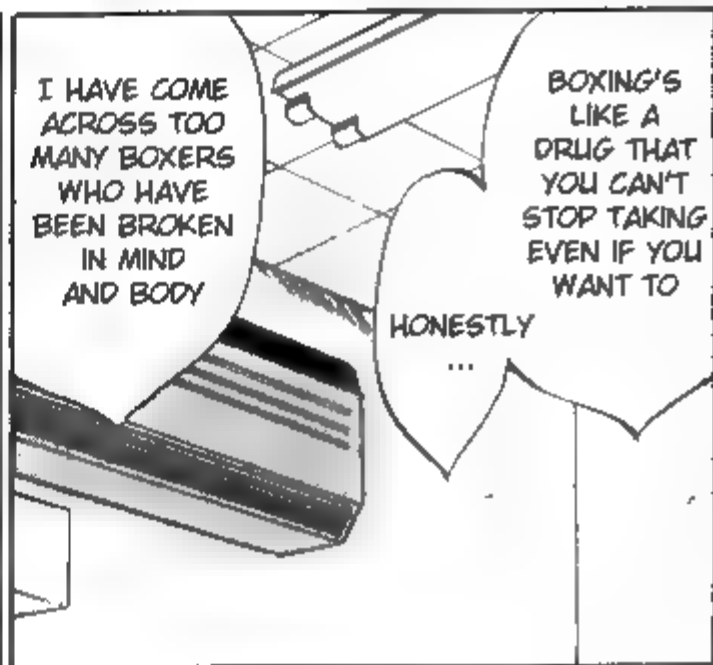
W  
H  
A  
T  
?



THEREFORE, I  
BELIEVE THAT NO  
MATTER THE END  
RESULT, I WON'T  
REGRET A THING

BUT THIS  
TIME I  
BELIEVE  
THAT I  
HAVE  
SURPASSED  
THOSE  
LIMITS  
I DID  
ABSOLUTELY  
EVERYTHING  
I COULD DO







USE YOUR 5 YEARS TO SHOW THE CHAMPION WHAT FOR!!

TODAY I WANT TO SEE WHAT YOU'VE LEARNED!

BUT I'VE BEEN WATCHING YOU FOR 5 YEARS

KIMURA! THE DECISION TO RETIRE IS YOURS ALONE, SO I WON'T SAY ANYTHING ABOUT IT



AND WHEN YOU COME BACK HERE, YOU'LL BE THE CHAMP!!

DO YOUR BEST!



I'VE GOT YOU COVERED MAN!

I GOT PERMISSION FROM YAGI-SAN  
I'LL BE ONE OF YOUR SECONDS



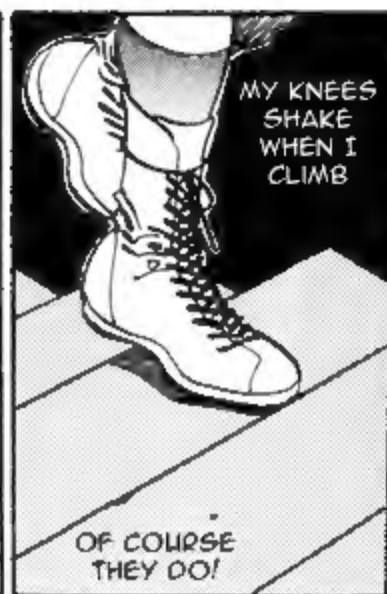
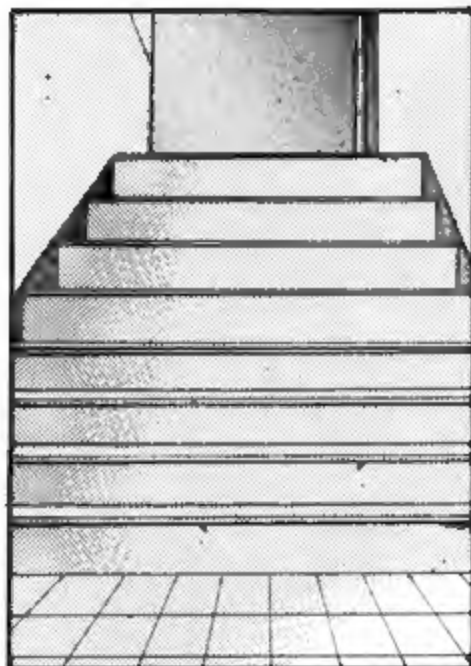
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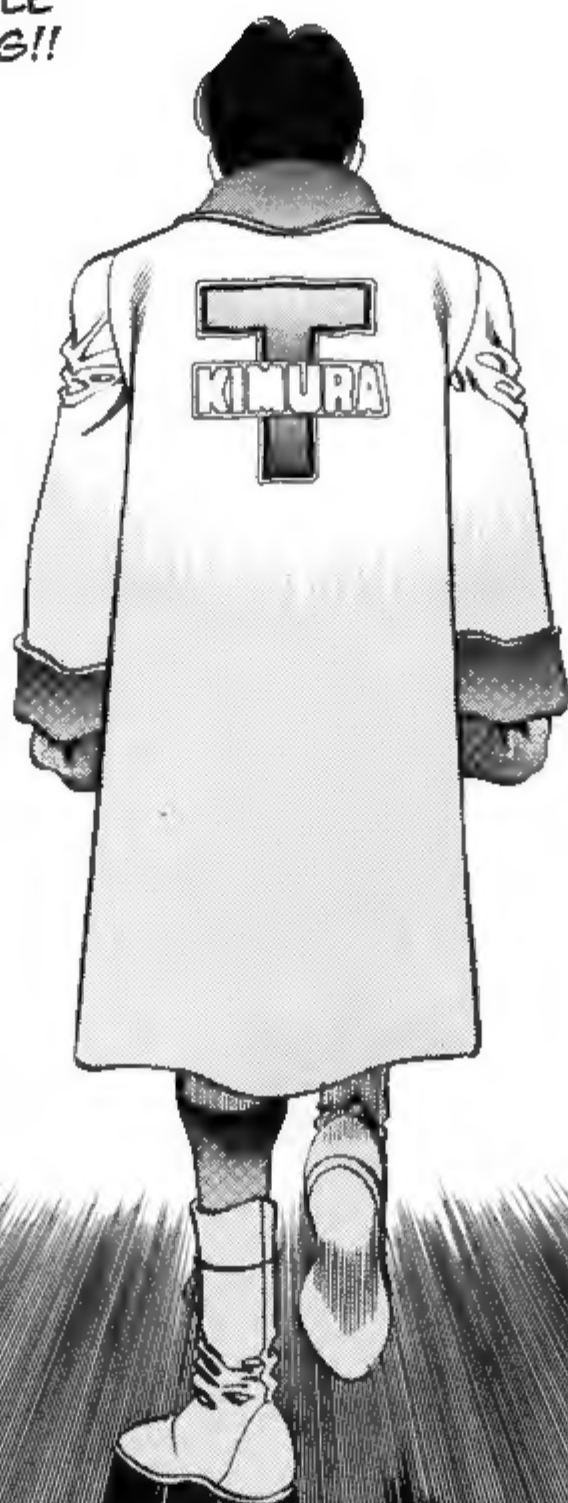






TO THE RING  
I'VE ADMIRED

TO THE TITLE  
MATCH RING!!



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